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**[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2009 ON PAGE 277.]**

SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: GOOD MORNING. I WOULD ASK-- AND WELCOME.
I WOULD ASK EVERYONE TO PLEASE RISE. WE WILL BE LED IN OUR
INVOCATION THIS MORNING BY FATHER RAYMOND PEREZ, SAINTS PETER
AND PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH IN WILMINGTON, AND OUR PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE BY MR. JACK KLAPPER, COMMANDER, VALLEY POST NUMBER
582, THE AMERICAN LEGION. FATHER PEREZ?

PASTOR RAYMOND PEREZ: GOD OF HEAVEN AND EARTH, OF ALL THAT IS
SEEN AND UNSEEN, YOU WHO SEE ALL AND KNOW EVERYTHING THAT
HAPPENS IN EVERY CORNER OF THE EARTH, YOU WHO KNOW ALL OUR
ACTIONS, INNERMOST THOUGHTS, AND THE MOST MINUTE STEERINGS OF
THE HEART, WE ASK YOU AT THIS MOMENT TO WATCH OVER THIS BOARD
OF SUPERVISORS. BLESS THE HEARTS, SOULS AND LIVES OF ALL THE
MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND ALL THOSE CONNECTED WITH IT. BLESS
THEIR MEETING, THEIR UNDERTAKINGS, THEIR PROJECTS AND
ASPIRATIONS. MAY THEY HAVE FOREMOST IN THEIR MINDS AND HEARTS
THE COMMON GOOD OF THOSE WHOM THEY SERVE. FREE THEM FROM
ANYTHING THAT MIGHT BLIND THEM TO THE COMMON GOOD. IF A
PARTICULAR TASK COMES EASY, MAY THEY THANK YOU FOR IT. IF A
PARTICULAR TASK IS DIFFICULT, MAY THEY RELY ON YOUR STRENGTH.



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1 DIRECT THEIR THOUGHTS, HEARTS, WORDS AND ACTIONS SO THAT ALL
2 THAT RESULTS HERE MAY LEAD ONLY TO GOODNESS, JUSTICE, HARMONY
3 AND GOODWILL. AMEN.

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5 **JACK KLAPPER:** PLEASE FACE THE FLAG. PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER
6 YOUR HEART AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF
7 ALLEGIANCE RECITED.] SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: AS I MENTIONED,
8 IT'S A PLEASURE TO WELCOME FATHER RAYMOND PEREZ OF THE SAINTS
9 PETER AND PAUL CHURCH IN-- LOCATED IN WILMINGTON. FATHER PEREZ
10 IS ORIGINALLY FROM EL PASO, TEXAS, AND IN 1978, HE MOVED TO
11 CALIFORNIA AT THE AGE OF 18. HE WAS ORDAINED TO THE PRIESTHOOD
12 IN ORANGE COUNTY IN 1988 WHERE HE LIVED AND WORKED UNTIL 1996.
13 HE CAME TO LOS ANGELES IN 1996 WHEN HE WAS ASSIGNED ASSOCIATE
14 PASTOR OF MARY STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH IN SAN PEDRO, WHERE HE
15 STAYED UNTIL 2000. IN 2004, HE WAS NAMED PASTOR OF SAINT
16 STEPHENS IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES WHERE HE STAYED UNTIL 2006. IN
17 2006, HE WAS NAMED PASTOR OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL CHURCH IN
18 WILMINGTON, WHERE HE CURRENTLY IS SERVING. HE HAS BEEN A
19 PRIEST FOR 21 YEARS, SO WE'D LIKE TO THANK HIM FOR TAKING THE
20 TIME TO COME DOWN ONCE AGAIN AND TO LEAD US IN AN INVOCATION
21 AND HIS WORDS OF WISDOM WERE VERY APPROPRIATE TODAY, FATHER,
22 AS WE DISCUSS THE BUDGET. [APPLAUSE.]

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, WE WERE LED IN THE PLEDGE THIS
25 MORNING BY JACK KLAPPER, WHO IS A RESIDENT OF GRANADA HILLS,



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1 AND WHO IS REPRESENTING THE AMERICAN LEGION VALLEY POST NUMBER
2 582. JACK IS A VETERAN OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY, SERVED FROM
3 1953 TO '55 IN THE FIFTH ENGINEER BATTALION COMBAT TEAM IN
4 ICELAND, AND SO FROM ICELAND TO GRANADA HILLS IS A GOOD-- ON
5 THE AVERAGE, YOU WERE COMFORTABLE, AS THEY SAY. HE SERVES
6 CURRENTLY AS A PATIENT ESCORT AT THE VETERANS' MEDICAL CLINIC
7 IN SEPULVEDA. HE'S BEEN MARRIED FOR 55 YEARS TO HIS WIFE
8 VALERIE, HAS FOUR CHILDREN. HE'S LIVED IN THE DISTRICT, IN OUR
9 DISTRICT FOR 42 YEARS. HE'S A GRADUATE OF NEW YORK CITY
10 COLLEGE AND BAY SIDE HIGH SCHOOL IN FLUSHING, NEW YORK. I KNOW
11 FLUSHING WELL. SO THANK YOU, JACK, FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR
12 COUNTRY AND THANKS FOR LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE THIS MORNING.
13 [APPLAUSE.]

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WOULD YOU LIKE
16 TO BEGIN THE READING OF OUR AGENDA?

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18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
19 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3, AGENDA FOR THE
20 MEETING OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY, ITEM 1-H.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. THE CHAIR
23 WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PUBLIC HEARINGS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 12. ON
2 ITEM NUMBER 2, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, SUPERVISOR
3 KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED WITHOUT DISCUSSION
4 TO OCTOBER 27TH, 2009.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SACHI, ON-- I SHOW AN ADDITION ON
7 THE GREEN SHEET OF 1-B.

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9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON-- I WAS GOING TO READ THAT IN AS A
10 MISCELLANEOUS.

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. OKAY. SORRY.

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14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 2, AGAIN, IS BEING CONTINUED TO
15 OCTOBER 27TH, 2009.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OKAY. ITEM NUMBER 3, AS INDICATED AN THE
20 POSTED AGENDA, THE APPEAL HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN AND THEREFORE THE
21 PROCEEDINGS WILL BE ABANDONED.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 8, AS INDICATED ON THE
2 POSTED AGENDA, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS
3 ITEM BE CONTINUED WITHOUT DISCUSSION TO OCTOBER 27TH, 2009.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE PUBLIC
8 HEARING WILL BE HELD FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING. WE'RE NOW ON PAGE
9 9, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 13
10 THROUGH 24. ON ITEM NUMBER 13, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED
11 AGENDA, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
12 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO SEPTEMBER 29TH, 2009. ON ITEM NUMBER 14,
13 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH VOTES "NO" ON THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER
14 15-- .

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK I HAD A HOLD ON THAT, 14.

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18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** I'M SORRY. WE DID NOT RECEIVE THAT, BUT WE
19 CAN--

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I WOULD LIKE TO HOLD IT. JUST SOME
22 CLARIFICATIONS.

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24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SURE. WE'LL HOLD THAT ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER
25 15, THIS RECOMMENDATION ALSO INCLUDES THE RESOLUTION THAT



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1 COUNTY COUNSEL HAS PREPARED RELATIVE TO THIS MATTER. ON ITEM
2 NUMBER 20, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
3 CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO OCTOBER 6TH, 2009. ON ITEM NUMBER 21,
4 THIS INCLUDES THE REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
5 AGENDA, AND ALSO SUPERVISOR KNABE AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
6 REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NUMBER 24, SUPERVISOR
7 MOLINA REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO
8 SEPTEMBER 29TH, 2009. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE BOARD OF
9 SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER, THE CHAIR WILL MOVE
12 IT, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
13 ORDERED.

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15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS 25 THROUGH 31. ON
16 ITEM NUMBER 25, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
17 TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NUMBER 26, AS INDICATED ON THE
22 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT
23 THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS OFFICE.

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25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 26. ON ITEM NUMBER 29, THERE'S A REQUEST
3 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 30, SUPERVISOR MOLINA
8 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO OCTOBER 6TH,
9 2009.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 31, SUPERVISOR KNABE VOTES
14 "NO" ON THIS ITEM. AND THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT
15 CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
18 ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT
19 OBJECTION, EXCEPT FOR ITEM 31, SO ORDERED.

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE ON PAGE 17, DISCUSSION ITEM, ON ITEM
22 NUMBER 32, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE
23 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED
24 ONE WEEK TO SEPTEMBER 29TH, 2009.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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3 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE ON PAGE 18, FISCAL YEAR 2009-10
4 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET RESOLUTION AGENDA ITEMS 33 THROUGH 50. ON
5 ITEMS NUMBER 33 AND 34, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS
6 THAT THESE ITEMS BE CONTINUED TO OCTOBER 27TH, 2009.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON 36 AND 37, AS INDICATED ON THE
11 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT
12 THESE ITEMS BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO OCTOBER 6, 2009.

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND ON ITEM NUMBER 46, ALTHOUGH THIS ITEM
17 WILL BE HELD, I'M GOING TO GOING TO READ THE SHORT TITLE IN
18 FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 6 SALARIES
19 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE RELATING TO THE ADDITION,
20 DELETION AND CHANGING OF CERTAIN CLASSIFICATIONS A NUMBER OF
21 ORDINANCE POSITIONS IN VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS AS A RESULT OF THE
22 BUDGET PROCESS FROM FISCAL YEAR 2009/10, AND THE REMAINING
23 ITEMS UNDER THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET WILL BE HELD FOR
24 DISCUSSION.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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3 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE ARE NOW ON PAGE-- 46, YES, IT WILL BE
4 HELD. WE'RE NOW ON PAGE 24, MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE
5 AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE
6 MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, ITEM 1-P.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THE
9 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 51-A.

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13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. THE
14 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 51-B.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED
19 BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 51-C.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED
24 BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 51-D.

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3 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 51-D, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

4 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND ON ITEM NUMBER 51-A, THERE'S A REQUEST
7 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 26, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION. ON
12 ITEM C.S.-1, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
13 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO SEPTEMBER 29TH, 2009.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THAT THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE
18 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' SPECIAL ITEMS BEGINS WITH
19 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NUMBER 2.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS? SUPERVISOR
22 YAROSLAVSKY? AT THIS TIME, I'D LIKE TO ASK JOHN FERNANDES, OUR
23 ADMINISTRATOR OF OUR OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TO COME UP
24 HERE TODAY. IT'S MY PLEASURE TO RECOGNIZE AND CONGRATULATE THE
25 OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ON PUTTING ON YET ANOTHER



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1 SUCCESSFUL NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH. NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS
2 MONTH IS A NATIONWIDE EFFORT HELD EACH SEPTEMBER TO ENCOURAGE
3 AMERICA TO TAKE SIMPLE STEPS TO PREPARE FOR EMERGENCIES IN
4 THEIR HOMES, BUSINESSES AND SCHOOLS. IN 1989, THE COUNTY OF
5 LOS ANGELES ADOPTED AND IMPLEMENTED THE EMERGENCY SURVIVAL
6 PROGRAM ALONG WITH THE AMERICAN RED CROSS AND VARIOUS COUNTIES
7 THROUGHOUT THE STATE, WHICH ENCOURAGES OUR RESIDENTS TO
8 PREPARE FOR EARTHQUAKES, FIRES AND OTHER HAZARDS BY TAKING A
9 DIFFERENT PREPAREDNESS MEASURE EACH MONTH. SO WE JUST WANT TO
10 THANK THEM FOR ANOTHER JOB WELL DONE AND I KNOW THAT IF YOU GO
11 ON OUR COUNTY WEBSITE OR ANY OF OUR INDIVIDUAL WEBSITES, YOU
12 CAN LINK UP TO WHAT WE THINK IS A NATIONAL MODEL FOR THE BEST
13 PREPAREDNESS ACROSS THIS COUNTRY, SO, JOHN, CONGRATULATIONS TO
14 YOU AND YOUR TEAM. [APPLAUSE.]

15

16 **JOHN FERNANDES:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR KNABE. I WOULD
17 LIKE TO ACCEPT THIS AND SHARE THIS ON BEHALF OF THE MANY
18 PARTNERS, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT-- EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS
19 PARTNERS THAT L.A. COUNTY WORKS WITH. AND ALSO THIS MONTH,
20 EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS MONTH, IS A GOOD OPPORTUNITY FOR EACH
21 AND EVERY ONE OF US TO RAISE OUR LEVEL OF AWARENESS IN THE
22 NEED TO PREPARE IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY, SO THANK YOU
23 AGAIN, SUPERVISOR KNABE, FOR THIS SCROLL.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU WANT TO INTRODUCE YOUR TEAM
2 MEMBERS?

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4 **JOHN FERNANDES:** I'M SORRY. WITH ME TODAY IS YVONNE WAYDE,
5 WHO'S AN ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR AT THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY
6 MANAGEMENT, AND ANNA MARIA TOFAYA WHO'S THE PROGRAM
7 COORDINATOR FOR THE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS MONTH.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I KNOW SOMETIMES IT JUST SEEMS LIKE AN
10 ORDINARY PRESENTATION, BUT THIS TEAM DOES A GREAT JOB ON
11 BEHALF OF ALL OF OUR CITIZENS HERE IN THE COUNTY, SO WE THANK
12 THEM VERY MUCH. THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO. [APPLAUSE.]

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS IS LITTLE MADELEINE WHO IS A SHEPHERD
17 MIX, WHO'S EIGHT WEEKS OLD. YOU CAN CALL (562) 728-4644 OR
18 ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT LITTLE
19 MADELEINE. HERE'S LITTLE MADELEINE, A LITTLE SHEPHERD MIX. I
20 DON'T KNOW WHERE THE SHEPHERD IS, BUT... [LAUGHTER.]

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SUPPOSED TO BE IN THE MIX. MAYBE IT'S THE
23 TAIL. ANYWAY, THIS IS LITTLE MADELEINE, WHO WOULD LIKE TO HAVE
24 A LITTLE HOME.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** STILL LOOKING FOR THE SHEPHERD. AW, WHAT
2 A CUTIE. AW. OKAY. WE'LL START WITH OUR PUBLIC HEARINGS,
3 PLEASE.

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE
6 BOARD ON THE PUBLIC HEARINGS ITEMS 1 THROUGH 12, PLEASE STAND
7 AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THIS IS FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS.

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** [ADMINISTERING OATH.] THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE
12 SEATED. WE'RE ON ITEM NUMBER 1, THIS IS THE HEARING TO APPROVE
13 THE SETTING OF MAXIMUM NOTIFICATION FEE FOR FILM AND STILL
14 PHOTOGRAPHY AND ALSO APPROVAL OF SOLE-SOURCE AGREEMENT WITH
15 FILM L.A. THIS ALSO INCLUDES-- THIS ALSO HAS CONSIDERATION OF
16 RECOMMENDATIONS AS SUBMITTED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH TO
17 MODIFY THE AGREEMENT AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. THERE
18 IS NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT ON THIS ITEM, AND NO WRITTEN
19 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY
22 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
23 TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE. SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 4, THE DE NOVO HEARING ON
2 PROJECT R-2006-01328-5, CONDITIONAL CASE NUMBER 2006 000099-5
3 IN CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION LOCATED AT 3800 EAST COLORADO
4 BOULEVARD, PASADENA, WITHIN THE EAST PASADENA EAST SAN GABRIEL
5 COMMUNITY, EAST PASADENA ZONE DISTRICT, APPLIED FOR BY MIKE
6 LEWIS ON BEHALF OF BAVPENDA BHAKKTA, AND THERE IS A DEPARTMENT
7 STATEMENT ON THIS MATTER AND WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WAS
8 RECEIVED.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF SPEAKERS
11 SIGNED UP, MOST ON THE SAME POSITION, SO I WOULD ASK THAT YOU
12 KEEP YOUR COMMENTS TO TWO MINUTES, PLEASE, AND THERE WILL BE A
13 TIMER UP HERE. WE'LL HAVE A STAFF REPORT FIRST AND THEN WE'LL
14 CALL THOSE THAT ARE SIGNED UP.

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16 **MI KIM:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MI KIM WITH ZONING PERMITS,
17 REGIONAL PLANNING. NEXT TO ME IS MARK CHILD ALSO OF REGIONAL
18 PLANNING. ITEM NUMBER 4 IS CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT REQUEST TO
19 CONTINUE OPERATIONS OF A 35-UNIT, 2-STORY MOTEL IN A C-2
20 NEIGHBORHOOD ZONE. THE MOTEL WAS BUILT ON THE 18,200 SQUARE
21 FOOT CORNER LOT IN 1964. THE REQUEST INCLUDES REDUCTION IN THE
22 NUMBER OF REQUIRED PARKING SPACES SOME 36 TO 28, AND
23 MODIFICATION OF THE LOCATION OF AN EXISTING SIGN FROM 25 FEET
24 FROM THE PROPERTY LINE TO 21 FEET FROM THE PROPERTY LINE. THE
25 REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION HELD FIVE PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THIS



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1 CASE. AT THE HEARINGS, THE APPLICANT TESTIFIED THAT THE
2 SUBJECT PROPERTY HAS UNDERGONE \$700,000 IN RENOVATIONS AND HAS
3 OBTAINED A FRANCHISE OF A DAYS INN MOTEL, SUBJECT TO THE
4 OPERATING STANDARDS OF A FRANCHISE MOTEL. APPROXIMATELY A
5 DOZEN PERSONS EITHER TESTIFIED IN PERSON OR SUBMITTED A LETTER
6 IN SUPPORT-- LETTERS IN SUPPORT. THE PROJECT OPPONENTS
7 TESTIFIED THAT THE SEFTON MOTEL HAS APPROVED IN APPEARANCE AND
8 OPERATION, BUT HISTORICALLY, MOTELS IN THE AREA, INCLUDING
9 THIS MOTEL WHEN IT WAS A REGAL INN, HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO
10 PROBLEMS WITH ILLEGAL AND NUISANCE ACTIVITIES. ON OCTOBER 1ST,
11 2008, THE COMMISSION VOTED 4-1 TO DENY THE CONDITIONAL USE
12 PERMIT. THE APPLICANT IS APPEALING THIS DENIAL. THIS CONCLUDES
13 OUR PRESENTATION. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE'RE GOING TO CALL PEOPLE UP FOUR
16 AT A TIME. WHEN YOU'VE CONCLUDED YOUR COMMENTS, YOUR
17 TESTIMONY, PLEASE RETURN TO YOUR SEATS AND I WILL CALL
18 ADDITIONAL SPEAKERS. FIRST OF ALL, I'M GOING TO INVITE THOMAS
19 EDMISTEN, SYLVIA BEEMAN, REX MOATS, AND ELIZA WHITMAN TO COME
20 FORWARD FIRST. IF YOU'D IDENTIFY YOURSELF FOR THE RECORD AND
21 PROCEED WITH YOUR TESTIMONY. OKAY. WHOEVER WOULD LIKE TO GO
22 FIRST, PROCEED. THANK YOU.

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24 **THOMAS EDMISTEN:** HELLO. MY NAME IS THOMAS DAVID EDMISTEN. I'VE
25 BEEN A RESIDENT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY ALL MY LIFE. I AM AWARE



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1 OF THE EAST PASADENA AREA, I LIVED WHEN I WAS IN MY 20S IN
2 ARCADIA. AT THE TIME, IT WAS KNOWN TO BE AN AREA THAT WAS
3 CONSIDERED TO BE A RED LIGHT DISTRICT. AT THIS POINT IN TIME,
4 I'M NOT CONCERNED SO MUCH WITH THAT AS I AM THE UNUSUAL NUMBER
5 OF CONVICTED AND KNOWN CHILD MOLESTERS, PERSONS OF SIGNIFICANT
6 DANGER, NOT ONLY TO ALL THE CHILDREN OF THAT COMMUNITY, BUT
7 PARTICULARLY TO MY THREE COUSINS THAT LIVE WITHIN WALKING
8 DISTANCE OF THESE HOTELS AND ESTABLISHMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN
9 POINTED OUT. AGAIN, LET ME SIMPLY SAY I AM OPPOSED.

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11 **ELIZA WHITMAN:** HI. MY NAME IS ELIZA JANE WHITMAN, AND I VOTED
12 FOR YOU, MR. ANTONOVICH. THIS IS YOUR REGION AND WE REALLY
13 NEED A LEADER. WE NEED SOMEBODY. MR. KNABE, I DON'T KNOW IF
14 YOU'RE GOING TO BE SOMEBODY WHO IS GOING TO BE-- MR. KNABE--
15 KNABE? ARE YOU GOING TO BE SUPPORTING THIS? BECAUSE WE NEED A
16 LEADER IN TERMS OF SOMEBODY THAT'S GOING TO REPRESENT AND
17 UNDERSTAND OUR ISSUES FOR L.A. COUNTY. THIS AREA IS A PLACE
18 THAT HAS BEEN UNDER CONSIDERED, IT HAS NOT BEEN THOUGHT ABOUT
19 I THINK IN AN APPROPRIATE MANNER. THIS IS A PLACE WHERE WE
20 BOUGHT A HOME IN 1994 AND WE HAVE JUST SEEN THE PROSTITUTION,
21 THE CRIME, THE DRUGS AND THE SEX OFFENDERS RISE TREMENDOUSLY.
22 THIS IS NOT FAIR. WE HAVE HEARD THAT BUSINESSES WHO HAVE JUST
23 COME IN, IT HAS BEEN CALLED BY A PUBLIC DEFENDER, THE GUY WHO
24 LETS OUT THE SEX OFFENDERS, HE HAS, QUOTE, SAID THAT HE WILL
25 NOT LET HIS CHILD COME TO THIS AREA FOR AN ART STUDIO ACTIVITY



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1 BECAUSE IT HAS UNPRECEDENTED SEX OFFENDERS, AND THAT I JUST
2 DON'T UNDERSTAND. ACTUALLY, THE QUOTE IS, UNUSUALLY HIGH
3 CONCENTRATION OF VIOLENT SEXUAL PREDATORS. THIS HAS BEEN
4 ALLOWED ON YOUR WATCH. I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW THIS COULD
5 HAPPEN. THE PASTOR THIS MORNING SAID THAT YOU WERE GOING TO
6 RULE WITH HEARTS, SOULS, AND JUSTICE, AND I DON'T SEE HOW THIS
7 IS JUSTICE FOR AN AREA THAT HAS SOLID COMMUNITY, WHO HAS
8 CHILDREN THROUGHOUT, WHO HAS BUSINESSES THAT WANT TO DO A GOOD
9 JOB AND YET A BLIND EYE HAS BEEN TURNED TO THIS REGION OVER
10 AND OVER AGAIN. WE HAVE BEEN FIGHTING THIS FOR THREE YEARS.
11 THREE YEARS. WE'VE BEEN KNOCKING ON PEOPLE'S DOORS. I WENT
12 AROUND, EVERY SINGLE SIGNATURE THAT I GOT, IT TOOK ME 15 TO 20
13 MINUTES BECAUSE PEOPLE WANTED TO TELL ME HOW DISGUSTED THEY
14 WERE THAT THE COUNTY WAS NOT LETTING THIS BETTER, AND WE NEED
15 STRONG LEADERSHIP. AGAIN, I IMPORE YOU TO THINK ABOUT THIS.
16 ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE ALSO HEARD IS THE SEX OFFENDER
17 MANAGEMENT BOARD HAS SAID THAT YOU SHOULD NOT HAVE
18 CONCENTRATION--

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. DO YOU WANT TO WRAP IT UP? YOUR
21 TIME IS UP.

22

23 **ELIZA WHITMAN:** THERE IS CONCENTRATION THAT THIS AREA AND THAT
24 HAS BEEN ALLOWED BY L.A. COUNTY AND THE STATE HAS, I GUESS,
25 MADE YOU GUYS DO THAT, BECAUSE I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY THE



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1 COUNTY HAS ALLOWED THE STATE TO PUT SO MANY SEX OFFENDERS IN
2 ONE AREA.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. NEXT?

5

6 **SYLVIA BEEMAN:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DR. SYLVIA BEEMAN. IN
7 2006, JUNE, WE OPENED OUR DENTAL PRACTICE, MOVED OUR DENTAL
8 PRACTICE TO 3858 EAST COLORADO BOULEVARD. UNBEKNOWNST TO US,
9 THERE IS A HIGH CONCENTRATION OF PROSTITUTION, DRUG ACTIVITY,
10 AND SEX OFFENDERS IN THE AREA THAT WE WERE UNAWARE OF WHEN WE
11 MOVED TO THIS AREA. I MYSELF HAVE SEEN THE PROSTITUTES AND
12 GENTLEMEN THAT ESCORT THEM BACK TO THE HOTELS, I'VE SEEN THIS
13 FROM MY PLACE OF BUSINESS. I'VE SEEN THEM GOING INTO THE LUCKY
14 STAR AND THE DIFFERENT OTHER AREA MOTELS, I'VE SEEN UNSAVORY
15 CHARACTERS. ABOUT A YEAR AGO, A PATIENT OF MINE FOUND, ON THE
16 WEEKEND, FOUND A WOMAN THAT WAS BEATEN. HE COULDN'T TELL IF IT
17 WAS A WOMAN BECAUSE HER FACE WAS SO SWOLLEN. SHE HAD HER
18 CLOTHES ON BACKWARDS, SHE WAS IN THE-- THERE'S A LITTLE NOOK
19 BESIDE MY BUILDING AND HE JUST SAW LEGS STICKING OUT AS HE WAS
20 PASSING BY AND CALLED THE POLICE TO COME HELP HER. THIS IS THE
21 TYPE OF PEOPLE THAT END UP IN OUR STREETS AND IN OUR BUSINESS
22 FRONTS. I HAVE CHILDREN IN MY PRACTICE, I SEE A LOT OF WOMEN
23 AND CHILDREN. I HAVE HEARD FROM ANOTHER PATIENT THAT SOMEONE
24 IS NOT COMING BACK BECAUSE OF THE AREA AND WE LOSE BUSINESS
25 BECAUSE OF THAT. WE WANT A CLEANER AREA. THIS IS A PICTURE OF-



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1 - I THINK THIS WILL BE FOR THE NEXT ONE, BUT THERE'S A LOT OF
2 PARAPHERNALIA IN OUR BUSINESS AREA. UPSTAIRS, THEY JUST OPENED
3 A CHILDREN'S FINE ARTS STUDIO, A MUSIC ACADEMY, WHICH IS A
4 CHILDREN'S ACADEMY, THEY'RE LISTED UNDER SCHOOL, AND WITH
5 THESE MOTELS BRINGS A TRANSIENT POPULATION, A POPULATION THAT
6 WE DO NOT KNOW, AND THEY COME AND THEY GO, AND THAT'S
7 DANGEROUS. WE CAN'T HAVE OUR KIDS WALKING TO MY OFFICE FROM
8 THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND I APPRECIATE YOUR HELP WITH THAT.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'M GOING TO ASK JOHANNA GIRARD, LEROY
11 WELCH, AND JOSHUA BEEMAN TO JOIN US PLEASE. SIR?

12

13 **REX MOATS:** OKAY. THIS IS AN ISSUE OF SELF-DETERMINATION--

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR NAME?

16

17 **REX MOATS:** REX MOATS, 3775, PORTA CALLE. I LIVE IN THE
18 NEIGHBORHOOD. THIS IS AN ISSUE OF SELF-DETERMINATION. WE'VE
19 BEEN TELLING THE COUNTY THAT WE WANTED THIS CHANGED FOR A LONG
20 TIME. WE ARE VERY DISAPPOINTED. OKAY? THE SEX OFFENDERS CAME
21 FROM THE HOTELS, THEY STILL STAY IN THOSE MOTELS. WE WANT THAT
22 CHANGED. IT'S DUE TO THE MOTELS THAT A LOT OF THE CRIME
23 STARTED IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. WHETHER THEY'VE CHANGED IN THE
24 LAST FEW MONTHS, THE LAST YEAR, WE DON'T CARE. IT'S THE LONG-
25 TERM THAT WE CARE ABOUT. THE LAST COUNTY-APPROVED HOTEL WAS



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1 THE EL RANCHO. IT NOW IS FULL OF SEX OFFENDERS. IT EXISTS AS A
2 BUSINESS ONLY BECAUSE OF STATE AND COUNTY SUPPORT AND MONEY
3 FROM THE STATE FOR THE SEX OFFENDERS. OKAY? EVERYBODY KNOWS
4 THAT IT'S UNFAIR. CALIFORNIA STATE MANAGEMENT BOARD, FAIR
5 SHARE, NO JURISDICTION CITY SHOULD BE FORCED TO ACCOMMODATE A
6 SIGNIFICANTLY DISPROPORTIONATE NUMBER OF OFFENDERS DUE TO THE
7 RESIDENCY RESTRICTIONS IN THE JOINING JURISDICTION. THAT'S
8 YOUR STATE. THANK YOU. THERE'S LIKE 25 IN OUR AREA. ALL RIGHT?
9 THEY ARE THERE BECAUSE OF PERVERSIONS OF THE SOUL. I AM IN
10 PRISON BECAUSE OF THE PERVERSION OF YOUR HEARTS. OKAY? MY
11 KIDS, WHEN I WAKE UP IN THE MORNING, WHAT'S THE FIRST THING I
12 THINK OF? WHERE ARE THE SEX OFFENDERS. WHEN I GO TO BED AT
13 NIGHT, WHERE ARE THE SEX OFFENDERS? ACROSS THE STREET FROM ME.
14 WHAT WERE MOST OF THEM? CHILD RAPISTS, THINGS SUCH AS
15 CONTINUOUS ABUSE OF A CHILD, 25 OF THEM, 40 OF THEM WITHIN A
16 FEW BLOCKS, EVIDENCE THAT THE PROSTITUTION AND STUFF SHOWS UP
17 IN MY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. I HAVE GIVEN IT TO YOU. THIS IS
18 UNFAIR, UNJUST AND THE REVEREND WOULD BE OPPOSED TO THE
19 DECISIONS OF THE COUNTY THAT LEAVES THEM THERE. EVERYBODY
20 RECOGNIZES THAT THIS IS COMPLETELY UNREASONABLE. WE ARE
21 AGAINST THE MOTELS BECAUSE THEY SUPPORTED IT FOR YEARS. THANK
22 YOU.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SAM CONTINO, IF YOU'D JOIN US, PLEASE.
25 WHOEVER WOULD LIKE TO GO NEXT, PLEASE.



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2 **JOSHUA CONTINO:** MY NAME IS JOSHUA BEEMAN. I DO THE MAINTENANCE
3 ON DR. BEEMAN'S OFFICE, THE OUTDOOR MAINTENANCE. I DO AFTER
4 HOURS MAINTENANCE, SO I SEE A LOT OF HOW THE PROSTITUTION THAT
5 DOES GO AROUND, I SEE A LOT OF WOMEN WALKING THE STREETS, A
6 LOT OF USED CONDOMS ON THE PROPERTY, NEXT TO THE PROPERTY, AND
7 I JUST WANTED TO SAY I WAS OPPOSED.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. STEVEN PROCTOR, IF
10 YOU'D JOIN US, PLEASE. OKAY. WHOEVER WOULD LIKE TO GO NEXT.

11

12 **LEROY WELCH:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS LEROY WELCH. I'VE LIVED
13 IN THE EAST PASADENA AREA FOR ABOUT 25 YEARS. I JUST FIND IT
14 KIND OF ODD THAT WE'D HAVE TO COME BEFORE OUR COUNTY
15 ADMINISTRATORS TO ASK FOR SOMETHING THAT, WITHOUT RESERVATION,
16 ANY RESIDENT OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES WOULD WANT, A SAFE,
17 FAMILY-ORIENTED ENVIRONMENT TO LIVE AND RAISE THEIR KIDS, BUT
18 WE FIND OURSELVES COMING TO MEETINGS LIKE THIS MONTH AFTER
19 MONTH, YEAR AFTER YEAR, BEGGING, PLEADING FOR HELP IN
20 RESOLUTION OF THIS MATTER. AS THE PEOPLE THAT HAVE SAID BEFORE
21 ME, WE DON'T WANT PROSTITUTION IN OUR AREA, WE DON'T WANT
22 HOTELS THAT SUBSIST OFF OF THE FUNDS THEY RECEIVE FROM SEX
23 OFFENDERS, WE DON'T WANT STRIP CLUBS IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD, BUT
24 BECAUSE OF THE LACK OF FORESIGHT, THE LACK OF CONCERN, THIS IS
25 WHAT OUR AREA HAS COME TO. I DON'T KNOW WHAT IT IS, IS IT



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1 MONEY OR IS IT SOMETHING ELSE, BUT THE PEOPLE IN THE
2 NEIGHBORHOOD ARE KIND OF AT WIT'S END. IF YOU WANT THE
3 NEIGHBORHOOD TO PROSPER, I THINK YOU SHOULD PAY ATTENTION TO
4 WHAT THE RESIDENTS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD WANT BECAUSE IF THE
5 RESIDENTS MOVE OUT, THEN THE PEOPLE THAT MOVE IN MOST LIKELY
6 WON'T BE CONCERNED ABOUT THE PROSTITUTION, WON'T BE CONCERNED
7 ABOUT THE SEX OFFENDERS, SO THIS WOULD LEAD THE NEIGHBORHOOD
8 INTO A DIRECTION THAT NOBODY WANTS IT TO GO. SO AS EVERYONE
9 HAS SAID BEFORE, WE NEED ASSISTANCE, WE CAN'T DO THIS BY
10 OURSELVES. WE'VE BEEN TRYING, WE'VE BEEN WORKING WITH THE
11 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND WE HAVE HAD A LOT OF HELP FROM THEM
12 RECENTLY, BUT WE CAN'T CHANGE LAWS, WE CAN'T CHANGE OPINIONS
13 OF THE ADMINISTRATORS. YOU HAVE TO HELP US.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

16

17 **JOHANNA GIRARD:** MY NAME IS JOHANNA GIRARD, I'M AN ARTIST AND
18 AN ART TEACHER, HAVE BEEN AN ART TEACHER FOR THE PAST NINE
19 YEARS. UNFORTUNATELY, THIS SCHOOL I WAS WORKING AT WAS A
20 PRIVATE ART SCHOOL IN ARCADIA. THEY SUDDENLY CLOSED IN JULY,
21 BUT A LOT OF THE PARENTS OF MY STUDENTS ASK ME IF I WOULD
22 PLEASE OPEN MY OWN ART SCHOOL BECAUSE THE CHILDREN ENJOYED MY
23 CLASSES AND WANTED TO CONTINUE TO COME, SO I STARTED LOOKING
24 FOR A LOCATION. SINCE MOST OF MY EXISTING CLIENTS WERE IN
25 ARCADIA AND I LIVED IN PASADENA, I THOUGHT THAT EAST PASADENA



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1 NEIGHBORHOOD WOULD BE GREAT, FREEWAY ACCESS, YOU KNOW, CLOSE
2 TO ARCADIA. THE ONE THING I NEGLECTED TO LOOK AT WAS THE
3 MEGAN'S LAW WEBSITE WHEN I WAS CHOOSING MY LOCATION AND BEFORE
4 I SIGNED THE YEAR LEASE ON THIS PLACE. WISH I HAD DONE THAT.
5 AND HOW IT WAS BROUGHT TO MY ATTENTION, I HAD ONLY BEEN OPEN
6 FOR TWO WEEKS, MY LITTLE ART SCHOOL FOR KIDS, WHEN A CONCERNED
7 FATHER OF ONE OF MY LONG-TIME STUDENTS CAME TO ME, ASKED ME TO
8 HAVE A PRIVATE CONFERENCE IN MY OFFICE, CLOSED THE DOOR, VERY
9 SERIOUS TONE, HE SAID, "I'M VERY SORRY, I HAVE TO PULL MY
10 DAUGHTER OUT OF YOUR SCHOOL. I'M HAVING A HARD TIME TELLING
11 YOU WHY," AND HE SAID, "BUT I WORK FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS A
12 PUBLIC DEFENDER AND I SPECIALIZE IN CASES OF VIOLENT SEXUAL
13 PREDATORS. IN COURT I HAVE TO ARGUE FOR THEIR RELEASE INTO THE
14 COMMUNITY, BUT LET ME TELL YOU, WHEN IT COMES TO MY OWN
15 DAUGHTER, I DON'T WANT HER ANYWHERE NEAR THIS NEIGHBORHOOD AND
16 I HAVE TO PULL HER OUT OF YOUR SCHOOL AND I'M REALLY SORRY,"
17 AND HE SAID, "I JUST CAN'T TAKE THAT RISK." AND I STARTED TO
18 RESEARCH AND I FOUND THE ETHIC GROUP IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND
19 MY THOUGHT WAS, "WELL, THIS FATHER, WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR
20 RELEASING THESE VIOLENT SEXUAL PREDATORS INTO THE
21 NEIGHBORHOOD, HE WON'T ACCEPT THAT RISK FOR HIS OWN DAUGHTER
22 BUT YET THESE GOOD PEOPLE HAVE TO ACCEPT THAT RISK?" I WAS
23 SHOCKED. I'M APPALLED. I KNOW MY TIME HAS EXPIRED, BUT THANK
24 YOU FOR LISTENING, AND I HOPE YOU REALLY DO SOMETHING ABOUT
25 IT. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT.

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4 **SAM CONTINO:** GOOD MORNING, MR. KNABE, MR. YAROSLAVSKY. MR.
5 ANTONOVICH, YOU'RE THE SUPERVISOR IN THIS AREA.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR NAME, PLEASE.

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9 **SAM CONTINO:** MY NAME IS DR. SAM CONTINO, I'M AN DENTIST
10 BETWEEN THE TWO MOTELS THAT ARE IN QUESTION. THAT AREA HAS
11 BEEN A SEEDY AREA SINCE THE TIME I WAS IN HIGH SCHOOL BECAUSE
12 MY PARENTS DID NOT ALLOW ME TO GO INTO THAT AREA. WE WERE
13 BASICALLY FORBIDDEN. IT HAS CLEANED UP OVER TIME AS THE
14 SHERIFF WAS ABLE TO TAKE CARE OF SOME OF THE PROBLEMS, MONITOR
15 IT MORE CLOSELY, THE PROBLEM WOULD GO AWAY FOR A WHILE AND
16 THEN COME BACK. I CAN KIND OF RELATE THAT IN MY OWN LIFE TO AN
17 ABSCESS. WE'VE ALL HAD AN ABSCESS OR A BAD TOOTH, AND IT CAN
18 BE THERE, GO AWAY, WE THINK IT'S GONE, BUT IT COMES BACK WITH
19 A VENGEANCE. I THINK THAT'S WHAT WE'RE LOOKING AT NOW. I
20 BELIEVE THAT THIS IS MY FIRST TIME THAT THIS HAS BEEN IN FRONT
21 OF YOU, SO IT'S A PROBLEM THAT YOU HAVE IGNORED. IT'S A
22 PROBLEM THAT HAS NOT BEEN BROUGHT TO YOU UNTIL THIS TIME.
23 AFTER OUR BASIC MEETINGS, SUPPORT FROM THE SHERIFF, SUPPORT
24 FROM THE COMMUNITY, AND IN THE APPEAL PROCESS, WE ARE NOW TO
25 YOU. WE'VE HAD DENIALS ON THIS PROPERTY AND I HOPE THAT WE CAN



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1 CONTINUE WITH ANOTHER DENIAL FROM THIS STANDPOINT. THANK YOU
2 VERY MUCH.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

5

6 **STEVEN PROCTOR:** GOOD MORNING. THIS IS QUITE A PRIVILEGE TO SEE
7 ALL YOU GUYS ON T.V. AND EVERYTHING. THIS IS KIND OF FUN. BUT
8 WE'RE HERE FOR SOMETHING VERY SERIOUSLY. I HOPE YOU WILL GIVE
9 ME A COUPLE MORE THAN TWO MINUTES AND THE REASON WHY I SAY
10 THAT BECAUSE I HAVE A LOT OF VERY, VERY PERTINENT EVIDENCE TO
11 SHOW YOU, AND I'M GOING TO PASS THESE OUT VERY SYSTEMATICALLY.
12 I'VE LIVED IN OUR HOME FOR JUST SHY OF 19 YEARS. WE HAVE
13 INVESTED A LOT IN THIS NEIGHBORHOOD. THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF
14 INVESTMENT IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD IN THE RESIDENTIAL AREA. WE
15 HAVE A LOT OF REBUILDS, A LOT OF ENCOURAGING THINGS. THE
16 COLORADO BOULEVARD THING HAS CONTINUED TO BE A PLIGHT. WE
17 STILL, REGARDLESS, WE ARE NOT ATTRACTING BUSINESSES THAT WE AS
18 A COMMUNITY USE IN PART BECAUSE OF THE REPUTATION OF THE AREA,
19 IN PART BECAUSE OF THESE-- IN GREAT PART BECAUSE OF THESE LOW
20 BUDGET MOTELS. I'M GOING TO BEGIN WITH, YES, THERE HAS BEEN
21 SOME WORK DONE ON THE DAYS INN. BY THE WAY, IN THE 12-BLOCK
22 AREA NORTH AND SOUTH WITH THIS COLORADO SANDWICHED IN BETWEEN
23 EFFORTLESSLY BETWEEN THE LAST A COUPLE OF DAYS, I DID THIS
24 BEFORE, TWO YEARS AGO THIS JANUARY, I COLLECTED SIGNATURES AND
25 I THOUGHT, I'M GOING TO GO OUT AND SHOW YOU GUYS AND DEVOTE



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1 TWO DAYS OF MY TIME, WHICH TOOK AWAY FROM MY FAMILY, TO SHOW
2 YOU THIS IS STILL A HOT TOPIC, REGARDLESS. DAYS INN,
3 VICTORVILLE, NEXT TO A STREET CLUB. DAYS INN, LAKEWOOD, TRUCK
4 STOP. DAYS INN IN DOWNEY IS BASICALLY IN A SHOPPING CENTER.
5 THIS KIND OF LOW BUDGET MOTEL DOES NOT BELONG IN A RESIDENTIAL
6 NEIGHBORHOOD. UP TO LAST DECEMBER, THERE WAS A SEX OFFENDER
7 HOUSED IN THERE, THEY HAVE TAKEN THAT OUT UNDER PRESSURE. SOME
8 OF THE PICTURES I'M GOING TO SHOW YOU ARE

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** JUST GIVE THE PICTURES. AND WE'LL GIVE A
11 COUPLE MORE SECONDS.

12

13 **STEVEN PROCTOR:** THESE ARE PICTURES, JUST AN EXAMPLE OF USED
14 CONDOMS BECAUSE OF ALL THE PROSTITUTION THAT'S TAKEN PLACE,
15 RIGHT ONE DOOR UP FROM ME. I HAVE POURED GAS AND BURNED SO
16 MANY OVER THE YEARS. SINCE THE DAYS INN WENT UP, WE NOW HAVE
17 THE SHOW. I THINK THE MARQUIS WILL SPEAK FOR ITSELF. RIGHT
18 ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE DAYS INN. OKAY? ANOTHER THING I'D
19 MENTIONED, TRUCK STOP. ON ANY GIVEN NIGHT, WE HAVE SEMIS
20 PARKED INTO OUR RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD. WE HAVE MOTOR HOMES.
21 THIS IS A LOW BUDGET TRANSIENT MOTEL. THAT'S WHAT'S
22 ATTRACTING-- WE DON'T KNOW WHO'S--

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GIVE THE SHERIFF ALL THE PICTURES AND
25 THEN WE CAN PASS THEM ALL OUT.



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2 **STEVEN PROCTOR:** SURE. NOW, THE NEXT PHOTOS I WANT TO SHOW YOU
3 ARE OF TWO-- THIS IS ENTERING INTO OUR NEIGHBORHOOD ON QUIGLEY
4 AROUND THE CORNER FROM COLORADO BOULEVARD. THIS IS FEBRUARY OF
5 '08. THEY WILL DEFINITELY ATTEST THAT THEY HAVE RE-LANDSCAPED
6 AND THEY WILL DEFINITELY TESTIFY THAT THEY HAVE DONE A LOT OF
7 WORK TO CLEAN UP THE PLACE. THIS IS THE SAME PARKWAY, AUGUST
8 31ST-- OR AUGUST 29TH OF 2009.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT.

11

12 **STEVEN PROCTOR:** ALREADY THE UPKEEP SAY MINIMUM. ALREADY WE SEE
13 SIGNS OF-- WHAT WE'RE CONCERNED ABOUT, IF YOU GRANT A
14 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO THESE PEOPLE, WE DON'T KNOW WHAT'S
15 GOING TO HAPPEN IN A YEAR. IT MIGHT NOT EVEN BE A DAYS INN AND
16 WE MAY BE STADIUM WITH ANOTHER LOW BUDGET MOTEL.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WRAP IT UP.

19

20 **STEVEN PROCTOR:** SORRY I'M SO ANIMATED.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S ALL RIGHT. GIVE US THE PICTURES.

23

24 **STEVEN PROCTOR:** BY THE WAY, THESE AREN'T SIGNATURES, THESE ARE
25 HOUSEHOLDS, 116 HOUSEHOLDS--



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I UNDERSTAND. ALL RIGHT. I'M GOING TO
3 CALL UP EDDIE JONES, ANITA REINSMA, JOHN DONOVAN AND NARESH
4 BHAKTA. SAME TWO MINUTES.

5

6 **EDDIE JONES:** GOOD MORNING TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
7 MY NAME IS EDDIE JONES, PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES CIVIL
8 RIGHTS ASSOCIATION. I PROMISED A FATHER, I'M GOING TO LEAVE
9 HIS NAME ANONYMOUS, WHO BURIED HIS 12-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER
10 YESTERDAY, WHO WAS RAPED BY A SEXUAL PREDATOR, A CHILD
11 MOLESTER. AFTER SHE WAS RAPED, SHE NO LONGER FELT THAT SHE HAD
12 ANY USE FOR LIFE. SHE COMMITTED SUICIDE AND HER FUNERAL WAS
13 YESTERDAY. A 12-YEAR-OLD GIRL THAT WAS ON HER WAY TO SCHOOL IN
14 L.A. COUNTY WAS RAPED, BEAT UP, HER VIRGINITY WAS STOLEN AWAY,
15 AND YESTERDAY THEY BURIED HER. WE HAVE A VERY, VERY SERIOUS
16 SITUATION HERE WITH THESE SEXUAL PREDATORS. A LOT OF PEOPLE
17 DON'T KNOW THAT YOU CAN GO ONLINE IN YOUR COMMUNITY AND SEE
18 WHO THESE SEXUAL PREDATORS ARE, YOU CAN SEE THEIR ADDRESS,
19 THEIR PHONE NUMBER, AND WHO THEY ARE. I'M ASKING THE COUNTY
20 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO CONSIDER WHERE WE ALLOW THESE
21 PREDATORS TO LIVE. IF IT IS A DANGEROUS ENVIRONMENT FOR
22 CHILDREN, IT'S A DANGEROUS ENVIRONMENT FOR EVERYONE. NOT ONLY
23 DOES IT AFFECT THE KIDS, BUT IT AFFECTS THE PARENTS. NOW THE
24 FATHER AND MOTHER HAVE TO GO THE REST OF THEIR LIFE KNOWING
25 THAT THEIR 12-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER WAS RAPED ON THE WAY TO



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1 SCHOOL, WHO HAD A FUTURE THAT WAS STOLEN AWAY BY A PREDATOR.

2 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I GUESS THERE'S SOME
5 CONFUSION. MR. JONES, YOU SIGNED UP TO FAVOR AND THE OTHER
6 PEOPLE THAT I CALLED OPPOSED, SO--

7

8 **EDDIE JONES:** I'M NOT CALLING UP TO FAVOR. I'M CALLING TO BRING
9 A MESSAGE FOR THE KIDS ARE BEING KILLED BY PREDATORS WHO ARE
10 RAPING KIDS. THAT IS MY POINT. I'M NOT FOR-- I'M FOR MAKING
11 SURE THE PREDATORS ARE NOT ABLE TO KILL KIDS AND RAPE KIDS.
12 I'M ON ANOTHER AGENDA FOR MURDER.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANITA?

15

16 **EDDIE JONES:** FOR THE SHERIFF-INVOLVED SHOOTINGS.

17

18 **ANITA REINSMA:** MY NAME IS ANITA REINSMA. I HAVE BEEN HERE
19 BEFORE. I HAVE LIVED ON MOHAWK STREET, OR MY FAMILY HAS BEEN
20 ON MOHAWK STREET FOR 45 YEARS. I'M SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF DAYS
21 INN BECAUSE I LOOK AT IT AS A BUSINESS. WHAT WE NEED ON
22 COLORADO BOULEVARD IS A SUCCESSFUL BUSINESS. I SEE IT WITH THE
23 DAYS INN. THEY'VE BECOME A FRANCHISE, A NATIONAL FRANCHISE,
24 AND THEY'VE BOUGHT UP THAT PROPERTY, WITH HUNDREDS OF
25 THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS. THEY HAVE SECURITY CAMERAS, THEY HAVE A



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1 GUARD, THEY HAVE A LOT OF THINGS THAT WE NEED IN THAT AREA.
2 WHAT WE DON'T NEED ARE THE INDEPENDENT MOTELS THAT CONTINUE TO
3 RENT TO THE SEX OFFENDERS AND ACTUALLY CONDONE THE
4 PROSTITUTION THAT GOES AROUND IN THAT AREA. WE JUST HAD A
5 DIALYSIS COMPANY COME IN, DAVIDA, WHICH IS NATIONALLY KNOWN.
6 THEY RENOVATED A BUILDING JUST DOWN THE STREET FROM DAYS INN,
7 AND SO THAT AREA IS TURNING AROUND. THE SHOW, OF COURSE WE
8 HAVE TO GET RID OF THAT. BUT WHAT I WANT TO SAY IS, I'M
9 AGAINST THE SEX OFFENDERS, I'M AGAINST THE PROSTITUTES BEING
10 THERE, AND IT'S A GRIM VISUAL WHEN YOU HAVE TO THINK ABOUT
11 SLIPPING ON A BANANA PEEL, BUT IN OUR AREA, IT'S A CONDOM, SO
12 THINK ABOUT THAT. THAT'S WHAT WE ARE FACING, A DAYS INN HAS
13 MADE AN INCREDIBLE DIFFERENCE ON THAT CORNER. WHEN I TURN
14 AROUND AND I SEE LILIES GROWING IN THE LITTLE GARDEN AREA, I
15 THINK SOME OF THE NEIGHBORS EVEN WITHIN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF
16 QUIGLEY AND MOHAWK AND ALL THE OTHER PLACES NEED TO TAKE A
17 CHANCE AND TAKE CARE OF THEIR OWN GARDEN AND NOT CONDEMN THE
18 DAYS INN FOR WHAT THEY'RE TRYING TO DO FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD
19 AND FOR THE COMMUNITY.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT. I'D ASK BHARAT PATEL TO JOIN US.
22 GO AHEAD.

23

24 **NARESH BHAKTA:** HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, I DO AGREE WITH
25 ALL THE PREVIOUS SPEAKERS--



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU HAVE TO IDENTIFY YOURSELF.

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4 **NARESH BHAKTA:** MY NAME IS NARESH BHAKTA. I'M A LOS ANGELES
5 COUNTY RESIDENT. CURRENTLY I'M SERVING AS NATIONAL PRESIDENT
6 OF-- REPRESENTING 11 VARIOUS CHAPTERS ACROSS THE COUNTRY, WITH
7 THE 2009 AND 40 BHAKTA FAMILIES WHO ARE ENGAGED IN HOSPITALITY
8 INDUSTRY. MR. BAVPENDA BHAKTA AND YASMIN BHAKTRA ARE AMONG
9 THESE FAMILIES, THEREFORE I'M PRESENTING THEM WITH FULL
10 SUPPORT FROM ALL OF OUR FAMILIES, FELLOW HOTELIERS ACROSS THE
11 COUNTRY. I DO AGREE WITH ALL THE PREVIOUS SPEAKERS RELATED TO
12 THE CRIME. NOBODY WANTS THEIR CHILDREN TO BE IN JEOPARDY OF
13 ANY KIND. THIS IS SOMETHING I WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS TO THE
14 BOARD THAT THE PERSON WHO IS TRYING TO CHANGE THE
15 NEIGHBORHOOD, WHO IS HELPING TO IMPROVE THE NEIGHBORHOOD
16 SHOULD NOT BE PENALIZED FOR THE NON HELP OF OTHER BUSINESSES.
17 THEY WENT THROUGH A VERY SERIOUS RENOVATION, AND NOT ONLY
18 THAT, THEY ARE THE NEW OWNERS OF THE PROPERTY. THE PROBLEM
19 EXISTED PRIOR TO THEM, SO THEY ARE THE ONES WHO ARE CLEANING
20 THIS PLACE UP. THIS IS SUPPOSED TO BE RE-ORDERING INSTEAD OF
21 DENIAL. OVER HERE I READ THE BEAUTIFUL GOLDEN WORDS OVER
22 THERE. IT SAYS, "THIS COUNTRY IS FOUNDED ON THE FREE
23 ENTERPRISE, CHOICE HELP PRESERVE IT." THEY ARE DOING THE SAME
24 EXACT. I REALLY WOULD LIKE TO EMPHASIZE ON THE CRIME AND SO
25 FORTH, OUR HOTELIERS, OUR COMMUNITY RESIDES ON THE PROPERTY,



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1 OUR CHILDREN GREW OURSELVES OVER THERE, SO WE DO KNOW HOW
2 SERIOUS IT IS WHEN IT COMES TO THE CRIME. TO BURDEN THE
3 CHILDREN, EVERY SINGLE PERSON IS VERY MUCH CONCERNED ABOUT.
4 OUR COMMUNITY HIGHLY INTEREST IN DOING BUSINESS _____
5 INDUSTRY EITHER DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY. A ON BEHALF OF OUR
6 SOCIETY, REPRESENTING OWNERS OF THE HOTELS OVER 6,000, EACH
7 AND EVERY ONE ARE HEAVILY INVOLVED IN UPLIFTING THIS
8 PARTICULAR INDUSTRY. THE DAYS INN IS NOT NECESSARILY THAT HAS
9 TO BE CATEGORIZED THAT WAY. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT. I'D ASK RAY PATEL TO
12 JOIN US, TOO, AND MANOJ PATEL.

13

14 **JOHN DONOVAN:** MY NAME IS JOHN DONOVAN. I'VE BEEN EMPLOYED AS A
15 SECURITY GUARD AT THE DAYS INN HOTEL FOR ONE YEAR AND THREE
16 MONTHS. I'M A FORMER ARMY VETERAN. I SERVED '83 AND '86 IN THE
17 3RD AND 75TH RANGER BATTALION AND I SERVED '97 TO '03 IN THE
18 ARMY NATIONAL GUARD. LIKE I SAID, I'VE BEEN EMPLOYED AS A
19 SECURITY GUARD FOR A YEAR AND THREE MONTHS. MY HOURS ARE FROM
20 9:00 IN THE EVENING TO 6:00 IN THE MORNING. I GENERALLY WORK
21 SIX TO SEVEN DAYS A WEEK AND I'VE NOTICED VIRTUALLY A COMPLETE
22 DROP IN PROSTITUTION IN THE AREA. IT WENT FROM WHEN I STARTED
23 MAYBE TWICE A WEEK TO THREE TIMES A WEEK OF GIRLS STANDING IN
24 THE GENERAL AREA, TWO OR THREE GIRLS, TO LESS THAN THREE TIMES
25 A MONTH WHERE TWO, MAYBE THREE GIRLS WOULD WALK IN THE AREA,



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1 AND THEY ARE DIRECTED, YOU KNOW, TO MOVE DOWN THE STREET. I'VE
2 SEEN THEM TALK TO LAW ENFORCEMENT A NUMBER OF TIMES, THEY
3 AREN'T DETAINED, THEY AREN'T PUT IN THE CAR. THEY'RE TALKED TO
4 FOR 10 OR 15 MINUTES, AND THAT'S GENERALLY WHAT HAPPENS WHEN
5 THEY TALK TO THEM. LIKE I SAID, I'VE BEEN THERE QUITE A LONG
6 TIME AND, YOU KNOW, I DON'T KNOW, YOU KNOW, WHAT THE REAL HARD
7 COMPLAINT IS, YOU KNOW, OTHER THAN THE FACT THAT IT'S, YOU
8 KNOW, IT'S BEEN SOMETHING THAT WAS GOING ON A LONG TIME AGO.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WRAP IT UP, PLEASE. THANK YOU.

11

12 **JOHN DONOVAN:** LIKE I SAID, I'VE GOT A YEAR LOGBOOK.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. YOUR TIME IS UP.

15

16 **JOHN DONOVAN:** ALL QUIET, SO...

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. NEXT?

19

20 **BHARAT PATEL:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY
21 NAME IS BHARAT PATEL. I REPRESENT THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY
22 HOSPITALITY ASSOCIATION, I'M THE PRESIDENT AT THE MOMENT, AND
23 I'M HERE TODAY REPRESENTING THE BHAKTAS' DAYS INN PROPERTY.
24 IT'S TRUE. NOBODY WANTS TO LIVE NEXT TO CHILD MOLESTERS AND
25 PAROLEES, BUT WHAT HAS HAPPENED IN THIS AREA, IT'S BEEN



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1 TOTALLY DOWNGRADED WITHOUT ANY KIND OF PLAN OF ACTION. YOU
2 NEED RISK-TAKERS TO COME IN AND CHANGE ONE BROKEN WINDOW AT A
3 TIME. I KNOW WE'VE ALL HEARD THE THEORY OF BROKEN WINDOWS. LAW
4 ENFORCEMENT USES IT ALL THE TIME. IF YOU HAVE ONE BROKEN
5 WINDOW, IT ENCOURAGES OTHER BROKEN WINDOWS. THIS HAS BEEN A
6 COMMUNITY OF BROKEN WINDOWS. NOW YOU HAVE THE BHAKTAS THAT
7 HAVE COME IN AND TAKEN A CHANCE. YES, IT'S TRUE, THEY DID NOT
8 KNOW THERE WAS A C.U.P. THAT WAS EXPIRING WHEN THEY PURCHASED
9 THE PROPERTY BECAUSE IT WAS NOT ON THE TITLE REPORT. THEY WERE
10 BLINDSIDED. GUESS WHAT. THEY TOOK A LEMON AND MADE LEMONADE
11 OUT OF IT, AND THAT THEY SHOULD BE APPLAUDED FOR, THEY SHOULD
12 BE COMMENDED FOR. THEY DIDN'T JUST GIVE UP. THEY'VE POURED IN
13 MANY CAPITAL DOLLARS TO IMPROVE THE PROPERTY. WHAT I AM
14 HEARING FROM THE OPPOSITION IS JUST THE WHOLE AREA HAS BEEN
15 DENIGRATED TO A LEVEL OF VERY DIFFICULT PROSTITUTION AND
16 PAROLEES, BUT WHAT YOU NEED TO HEAR IS A PARTICULAR PROPERTY
17 THAT IS DOING VERY WELL, THEY'VE TURNED THE BUSINESS AROUND,
18 THEY'VE MADE-- THEY'VE CHANGED THE FACADE, THEY'VE CHANGED THE
19 ATTITUDE, THE BUSINESS CULTURE IN THAT PARTICULAR PROPERTY. IF
20 YOU REALLY WANT TO SEE TRUE SUCCESS, THEN YOU NEED TO HAVE--
21 ENCOURAGE AND SUPPORT OF THIS KIND OF BUSINESS, THIS KIND OF
22 RISK TAKING. IF YOU DENY THIS APPLICATION, WHAT DO YOU HAVE?
23 YOU'RE BACK TO SQUARE ONE, YOU'RE BACK TO GROUND ZERO.
24 ENCOURAGE RISK TAKERS. THAT'S WHAT IT'S GOING TO TAKE TO
25 IMPROVE THIS PARTICULAR DISTRICT, AND BY SUPPORTING THIS



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1 APPLICATION TODAY, YOU'RE GOING TO BE GETTING THE RIGHT
2 DIRECTION, AND I HOPE THAT YOU WILL CONSIDER THAT WITH YOUR
3 MIND AND YOUR HEART TODAY. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ASK JAMES MARTINEZ TO JOIN
6 US, PLEASE.

7

8 **RAY PATEL:** MY NAME IS RAY PATEL. I'M PRESIDENT OF THE
9 NORTHEAST LOS ANGELES HOTEL OWNERS ASSOCIATION. WE REPRESENT
10 400 HOTELS THROUGHOUT THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. I'M HERE TODAY
11 ON BEHALF OF THE ASSOCIATION TO SHOW SUPPORT FOR THE BHAKTA
12 FAMILY THAT OWNS AND OPERATES THE DAYS INN. MANY TIMES IN OUR
13 ASSOCIATION WE COME SPEAK IN FRONT OF COUNCIL TO ADDRESS
14 CONCERNS THAT OUR INDUSTRY HAS AND THIS IS NO DIFFERENT. I
15 THINK WHAT WE'RE LOOKING AT IS THE PERCEPTION, AND THE
16 PERCEPTION THAT THE NEIGHBORS MAY HAVE HAD OF THIS
17 ESTABLISHMENT PRIOR TO THEM COMING IN AND SPENDING \$700,000 TO
18 REMODEL, RENOVATE AND TAKE THE TIME TO FRANCHISE THIS
19 ESTABLISHMENT, IS NOT THERE ANYMORE. THE BHAKTA FAMILY HAS
20 SHOWN A COMMITMENT TO THEIR NEIGHBORS, TO THE COMMUNITY. DAYS
21 INN ITSELF, IF YOU LOOK A FEW BLOCKS DOWN THE ROAD ON MAIN
22 STREET, YOU'LL SEE A DAYS INN HOTEL RIGHT HERE AND THEY CATER
23 TO CORPORATE TRAVEL, AND THAT'S WHAT THIS PROPERTY IS. IT'S A
24 TRANSIENT HOTEL FOR TOURISTS AND CORPORATE TRAVELERS AND
25 THAT'S THE MARKET THAT DAYS INN TARGETS, AND I WOULD CONSIDER



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1 IT AN ASSET OF THIS CORNER OF THE COUNTY THAT YOU HAVE AN
2 ESTABLISHMENT THAT CAN OPERATE THERE. PASADENA HAS CONVENTION
3 BUSINESS, WELL NOW YOU HAVE THAT BUSINESS COMING OVER TO THE
4 SECTOR OF THE COMMUNITY RATHER THAN THEM SPENDING THEIR MONEYS
5 IN THE HOTELS IN THE CORE OF PASADENA, THEY'RE SPENDING IT IN
6 THE COUNTY, AND FROM WHAT I UNDERSTAND, THEY'RE TRANSMITTING
7 12 PERCENT OF THE GROSS RECEIPTS TO THE COUNTY. SO I WOULD
8 LIKE TO ASK THE SUPERVISORS TO SUPPORT THE COMMUTER OPERATIONS
9 FOR THE BHAKTA FAMILIES AND FOR THE DAYS INN FRANCHISE. THANK
10 YOU.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I'LL ASK LAURA GUTIERREZ TO
13 JOIN US, PLEASE.

14

15 **MANOJ PATEL:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MANOJ PATEL. I'M ALSO A
16 RESIDENT OF THE VALLEY AREA, ACTUALLY JUST SIX MILES EAST OF
17 THE SUBJECT PROPERTY. ALSO PAST PRESIDENT OF SAN GABRIEL
18 HOSPITALITY ASSOCIATION. I BELIEVE THE EPIC GROUP MADE SOME
19 VERY IMPORTANT POINTS. THEIR POINTS WERE ISSUES RELATED TO
20 PROSTITUTION, CHILD MOLESTERS IN THE AREA. I BELIEVE SOMEONE
21 MENTIONED A HALFWAY HOUSE SOMEWHERE THERE. SEX OFFENDERS.
22 THESE ARE ALL IMPORTANT ISSUES THAT I BELIEVE EVERYONE IN THIS
23 ROOM WOULD AGREE ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE IN ANY NEIGHBORHOOD, BUT
24 THE CLEAR FACT IS THAT THE BHAKTAS, WHEN THEY INVESTED SO MUCH
25 OF THEIR TIME, SWEAT AND MONEY, WERE NOT AWARE OF THIS, AS



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1 ACTUALLY SOME OF THE FOLKS WERE FROM THE EPIC GROUP WHEN THEY
2 STARTED THEIR ESTABLISHMENTS, WHETHER IT WAS THE DENTISTRY OR
3 THE DANCE STUDIO, I BELIEVE. BUT NOW THAT WE ARE HERE, SOMEONE
4 MENTIONED SOMETHING I THOUGHT WAS POIGNANT. THEY SAID STRONG
5 LEADERSHIP. BUT I THINK WITH STRONG LEADERSHIP YOU NEED STRONG
6 CODES, AND WITH THIS C.U.P., I BELIEVE ONE OF THE BIGGEST
7 ASSETS THAT BRINGS TO THE COMMUNITY THERE AND SETS THIS HOTEL
8 AS A CATALYST FOR FUTURE RENOVATIONS, FOR FUTURE BETTER
9 BUSINESS IS THAT THIS BUSINESS WILL GOVERN ITSELF ON STRICT
10 REQUIREMENTS, NOT ONLY ON THE FRANCHISED SIDE, BECAUSE THIS IS
11 NO LONGER REGAL INN, THIS IS DAYS INN. DAYS INN COMES WITH
12 SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS. DAYS INN, IN FACT, THEY HAVE INSPECTORS
13 THAT COME UNANNOUNCED, THEY CHECK IN THE HOTEL TO MAKE SURE
14 THAT CERTAIN EXCELLENCE IS REACHED. A.A.A. DOES THAT WITH THEM
15 INDIVIDUALLY OF DAYS INN. THE C.U.P. ALSO SETS A BAR THAT'S
16 HIGH IN SENSE OF OTHER HOTELS THAT EXIST THERE, THEY ARE ALL
17 INDEPENDENT. UP UNTIL NOW, THIS IS THE ONLY HOTEL THAT I KNOW
18 OF THAT HAS ACTUALLY BECOME PART OF THE COMMUNITY. THEY'VE NOT
19 COME IN THERE, RAPED, SQUEEZED EVERY PENNY THEY CAN MAKE OUT
20 OF IT AND LEFT. THEY'VE COME IN THERE, INVESTED THEIR TIME AND
21 THEIR ENERGY. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. KATHY IONESCU. I MAY HAVE
24 SAID THAT. I APOLOGIZE. OKAY. NEXT?

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1 **JAMES MARTINEZ:** HELLO, EVERYBODY. MY NAME IS JAMES MARTINEZ.
2 I 'VE WORKED FOR THE BHAKTAS FOR ABOUT FIVE YEARS NOW. I 'VE
3 KNOWN THEM FOR ABOUT TEN. THEY 'VE TURNED THAT PROPERTY
4 COMPLETELY AROUND FROM ONE SIDE TO THE OTHER, 360. I HAVE BEEN
5 A RESIDENT OF SAN GABRIEL VALLEY FOR 43 YEARS. I USED TO GO UP
6 TO COLORADO, I UNDERSTAND THE SITUATION UP THERE, BUT BY THE
7 SAME TOKEN, IT 'S NOT PUSHED ONTO THE BHAKTAS OR DAYS INN, IT
8 IS THERE AS IT ALWAYS IS AND ALWAYS HAS BEEN. IT NEEDS TO BE
9 CHANGED, OF COURSE, BUT NOTHING CAN BE CHANGED THAT EASILY
10 AND, OF COURSE, EVERYBODY HAS GOT TO WORK TOGETHER TO CHANGE
11 THE PROBLEM, NOT JUST DAYS INN, BUT EVERYBODY ELSE AROUND.
12 RIGHT NOW IN THE SITUATION WE ARE WITH OUR ECONOMY, I CAN 'T
13 SEE HOW CHANGING OR CLOSING DOWN THE DAYS INN WOULD CHANGE
14 EVERYBODY 'S ATMOSPHERE. YOU WOULD JUST HAVE A MOTEL THERE
15 EMPTY WHERE PEOPLE WOULD MAYBE BREAK INTO AND THEN YOU 'D HAVE
16 MORE SITUATIONS AND EVEN WORSE OF CHILD MOLESTERS, AND I
17 UNDERSTAND THAT, THAT IS A BAD SITUATION, BUT YOU HAVE
18 EVERYWHERE IN TOWN, NOT JUST BEVERLY HILLS, BUT EVERYWHERE.
19 AND I FEEL IF THEY CLOSE IT DOWN, IT WILL BE WORSE, AND THEN
20 YOU HAVE PUT PEOPLE OFF ON UNEMPLOYMENT, AND WITH THE
21 EMPLOYMENT THE WAY IT IS, IT 'S NOT A GOOD SITUATION. I FEEL
22 THAT THE BHAKTAS HAVE A LOT OF LOVE TO GIVE PEOPLE. THEY 'VE
23 OFFERED A LOT OPTIONS FOR PEOPLE TO WORK, AND FOR SOMEONE TO
24 THINK THAT THEY 'RE GOING TO CHANGE THAT SITUATION BY BLAMING
25 ONE COMPANY, IT 'S NOT GOING TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. YASMIN SITARAM.

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4 **LAURA GUTIERREZ:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS LAURA GUTIERREZ. I'M
5 A RESIDENT OF L.A. COUNTY. I'VE STAYED AT THE DAYS INN SEVERAL
6 TIMES WITH MY HUSBAND AND MY CHILDREN, JUST TO BE CLOSER TO
7 FAMILY. I FELT VERY SAFE THERE. THEY WERE VERY WELCOMING. I
8 HAD NO PROBLEMS THERE WITH MY CHILDREN. IT WAS A NICE PLACE TO
9 STAY.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME
12 TO COME DOWN. PRASHAND PATEL.

13

14 **KATHLEEN IONESCU:** I'M KATHLEEN IONESCU. I WORK NEXT DOOR TO
15 THE DAYS INN. WHEN I FIRST STARTED THERE THREE YEARS AGO, IT
16 WAS HORRIBLE. THERE WOULD BE CONDOM WRAPPERS IN THE BACK
17 PARKING LOT AND THERE WAS A LOT OF THESE PROSTITUTES WALKING
18 UP AND DOWN THE STREET AT ALL TIMES, AND LIKE MY BOSS WOULD
19 EVEN BE AFRAID OF ME TO GO TO THE OFFICE, AND NOW IT'S TURNED
20 INTO DAYS INN, IT'S A LOT BETTER. I DON'T FIND ANY KIND OF
21 USED ANYTHING OF THAT SORT IN THE BACK PARKING LOT OR ANYTHING
22 LIKE THAT. THEY'VE ACTUALLY CLEANED IT UP A LOT. THEY TOOK OUT
23 THE PARK BENCH AND EVERYTHING AND A LOT OF PROSTITUTES WOULD
24 LIKE STAND THERE AND DO WHATEVER THEY DO IN FRONT OF THE



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1 PUBLIC, AND IT WAS JUST REALLY BAD UNTIL RECENTLY, SO THERE IS
2 A DIFFERENCE.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. CHHAGANBHAI
5 BHAKTA. I'M NOT VERY GOOD WITH THAT NAME, BUT HOPEFULLY YOU
6 KNOW WHO YOU ARE. YES, NEXT PLEASE.

7

8 **PRASHAND PATEL:** MY NAME IS PRASHAND PATEL , AND I AM THE
9 MANAGER OF THE DAYS INN, PASADENA. I AM THE PERSON CLOSEST TO
10 THIS PROPERTY AND I KNOW THIS PROPERTY BETTER THAN ANY OTHER.
11 I CAN CONFIDENTLY SAY, THIS IS NEAT AND CLEAN PROPERTY. I HAVE
12 BEEN HERE SINCE ABOUT LAST TWO YEARS, SINCE IT HAS BECOME DAYS
13 INN. I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THE PREVIOUS CONDITIONS OF THIS AREA,
14 BUT AT PRESENT, I CAN CONFIDENTLY SAY THIS IS A NEAT AND CLEAN
15 PROPERTY. OKAY. ALL OF OUR CLIENTS ARE FROM PEOPLE, SENIOR
16 CITIZENS, SOME CONTRACTORS, SOME SOFTWARE ENGINEERS AND
17 FAMILIES, AND ALL OF OUR CUSTOMERS ARE COMING FROM _____.
18 MOST OF CUSTOMERS ARE COMING TO _____. GETTING SOME
19 CUSTOMERS FROM OUR TRAVEL VENDORS. SO EVERY CUSTOMERS ARE WELL
20 AND REPRESENT. WE DON'T HAVE ANY PROBLEMS FROM OUR CUSTOMERS,
21 OUR CUSTOMERS DON'T HAVE ANY PROBLEM. THEY ARE VERY HAPPY WITH
22 OUR SERVICES, OUR FREE BREAKFAST AND OUR OTHER FACILITIES OF
23 OUR MOTEL. SOME OF OUR RESIDENTS, SOME PEOPLE AND OUR
24 NEIGHBORS, THEY HAVE SOME PROBLEM IN THE HOUSE, IF THERE IS
25 SOME MAINTENANCE WORK, THEY USED TO COME AND THEY USED TO BE



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1 STAY IN OUR PREMISES. THERE ARE SOME RELATIVES OR FRIENDS
2 COMING TO THE PASADENA, THEY USED TO COME TO OUR MOTEL AND
3 THEY BOOK OUR ROOMS. BUT THIS IS THE PROOF, OUR NEIGHBORS ARE
4 RECOMMENDING THEIR RELATIVES AND THEIR FRIENDS TO STAY IN OUR
5 MOTEL, SO THESE ARE THE UNNECESSARILY CREATED ISSUES BY SOME
6 PEOPLE, I DON'T KNOW. WE ARE NOT THE CAUSE. THERE MAY BE SOME
7 OTHER MOTELS LIKE EL RANCHO OR THIS LUCKY STARS AND THAT. WE
8 ARE NOT IN THAT CATEGORY. WE ARE A DIFFERENT-- WE ARE
9 INTERNATIONALLY RENOWNED FRANCHISE.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I'M GOING TO ASK BHUPENDRA
12 BHAKTA TO JOIN US AND MELISSA CABRAL. OKAY. GO AHEAD.

13

14 **YASMIN SITARAM:** HELLO. MY NAME IS YASMIN SITARAM AND I AM THE
15 OWNER OF THE DAYS INN IN PASADENA. WHEN WE BOUGHT THIS PLACE
16 IN PASADENA, WE THOUGHT, OKAY, THIS IS A HISTORICAL CITY, WE
17 HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY, YOU KNOW, TO GET AN UNDER PERFORMING
18 PROPERTY AND CONVERT IT TO A FRANCHISE. THAT WAS OUR MAIN
19 IDEA. LITTLE DID WE KNOW ABOUT THE AREA PROBLEMS. IF WE WOULD
20 HAVE KNOWN, I WOULDN'T HAVE INVESTED, BUT WE HAVE TACKLED
21 EVERY SINGLE ISSUE THAT HAS COME ACROSS TO US. FIRST IT WAS
22 THE MONTH ISSUES. WE TOOK OUT THE MONTHLIES, WE EVICTED THEM.
23 THEN CAME THE PAROLEES ISSUE, AND THEN WHAT I DID IS WE TOOK
24 OUT THE PAROLEES, WE SENT A LETTER TO THE PAROLE BOARD TELLING
25 THEM NOT TO SEND. AT THAT TIME WE WERE AN INDEPENDENT MOTEL.



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1 AS A MATTER OF FACT, AT THAT TIME THERE WERE 58 PAROLEES IN
2 THE AREA. AT THE PRESENT TIME THERE ARE 28 IN THE 91107 AREA
3 CODE, 109 IN THE CITY OF PASADENA, 11,228 IN THE L.A. COUNTY.
4 THESE ARE SEX OFFENDERS. THIS IS A SERIOUS MATTER AND I THINK
5 THAT THE COUNTY NEEDS TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. THE PAROLE
6 HOME THAT IS RIGHT ACROSS NEEDS TO BE TAKEN OUT. THEN WE
7 BECAME A FRANCHISE, DAYS INN FRANCHISE. DAYS INN FRANCHISE
8 DOES NOT ALLOW US TO GET INTO SUCH CONDUCT AT ALL. WE STARTED
9 ALSO-- WE TOOK OUT THE BUS STOP AND ALSO THE PAY PHONE THAT
10 WAS NEXT TO US. A LOT OF PEOPLE USED TO STAND THERE, THE
11 PROSTITUTES USED TO STAND THERE. THAT IS GONE. YOU DON'T SEE
12 ANY WALKING TRAFFIC THERE ANYMORE. AND FOR SAFETY AND
13 SECURITY, WE INSTALLED SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM AND WE HAVE THE
14 MONITORS, THEY'RE 24-HOUR MONITORS. WE ALSO POST WARNING SIGNS
15 THAT I WANT YOU GUYS TO SEE. CAN I PASS THIS SO YOU COULD SEE?
16 OUR REMODELING, YOU KNOW, IT WAS A MILLION DOLLARS, ACTUALLY.
17 THAT INCLUDES SAFETY MEASURES, THAT INCLUDES FRANCHISING AND
18 THAT INCLUDES ALL THE RENOVATION THAT WE DID, AND I'M GOING TO
19 PASS AROUND PICTURES OF THE BAD APPLES NEED TO BE TAKEN OUT
20 AND THAT'S THE LUCKY STAR AND THAT'S THE EL RANCHO MOTEL AND
21 POSADA MOTELS. THOSE ARE THE ONES THAT HAVE AT THE PRESENT
22 TIME THE PAROLEES. MAKE AN ORDINANCE. GET THEM OUT OF THE
23 AREA.
24



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DIANE WICHERN. OKAY. WHOEVER IS NEXT,
2 PLEASE. GO AHEAD. WHOEVER IS NEXT, JUST GO AHEAD.

3

4 **CHHAGANBHAI BHAKTA:** MY NAME IS CHHAGANBHAI BHAKTA. I REPRESENT
5 MR. BHAKTA'S PROPERTY. BHAKTAS HAVE BEEN KNOWN THROUGHOUT THE
6 AREA FOR THE LAST 45 YEARS, AND THE HOTEL/MOTEL INDUSTRY HAS
7 BEEN KNOWN SINCE ABOUT 80, 90 YEARS. PRIOR TO THIS EVENT,
8 STARTED FROM SAN FRANCISCO AND NOW SPREAD THROUGHOUT THE
9 COUNTRY. BHAKTA FAMILIES INVOLVED 24 HOURS ON THE PREMISES.
10 THEY TAKE CARE OF THEIR OWN BUSINESS AND THEY GROW THEIR
11 FAMILIES AND THEY SEND THEIR KIDS TO THE COLLEGE AND HIGH
12 SCHOOL, WHATEVER IT IS, AND IT IS OPERATING IN A VERY FANCY
13 WAY. RECENTLY HE HAS BEEN INVOLVED WITH RENOVATION AND IT HAS
14 GONE THROUGH TREMENDOUS EFFORT AND HIS WHOLE HELP AND SO FAR
15 HAS COME TO THIS POINT. PROSTITUTION AND THE OTHER CRIME IN
16 THE AREA IS OUTSIDE HIS MOTEL, WHICH IS TO BE TAKEN CARE OF.
17 PREVIOUSLY ALL THE SPEAKERS HAVE SUGGESTED TO DO SOMETHING
18 ABOUT IT, WHICH IS CONCERN ALSO OF THE DAYS INN, BUT DAYS INN
19 RIGHT NOW YOU CAN SEE THE PICTURES AND THE PRESENTATION, I'M
20 SURE YOU WOULD BE CONVINCED THAT THEY CAN EMPLOY THREE OR FOUR
21 TO FIVE PEOPLE ON THE PAYROLL THAT IS THE EMPLOYMENT BUSINESS
22 ALSO. I THINK CONSIDER THAT IN THIS ECONOMY, THIS IS VERY
23 IMPORTANT THAT THE EMPLOYMENT IS BEING MADE THROUGH THE DAYS
24 INN ALSO. IT'S A FRANCHISE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY AND THEY ARE
25 OPERATING IN A NICE MANNER AND I'M SURE THE BOARD OF



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1 SUPERVISORS WILL CONTINUE TO AGREE TO CONTINUE AND GIVE THEM
2 PERMIT TO KEEP OPERATING BUSINESS. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DUSTIN DINSMORE. OKAY.

5

6 **BHUPENDRA BHAKTA:** MY NAME IS BHUPENDRA BHAKTA, THE OWNER OF
7 THE DAYS INN. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MEMBERS, SUPERVISOR
8 ANTONOVICH, THANK YOU FOR GIVING US THIS OPPORTUNITY FOR THIS
9 HEARING. BACK IN 2005, WE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO COME INTO EAST
10 PASADENA ON COLORADO, PURCHASE A RUNDOWN PROPERTY, AND FROM
11 DAY ONE, WE STARTED RENOVATING AND TODAY IT'S RUNNING AS A
12 DAYS INN FRANCHISE. NOT KNOWING THE AREA OR THE PROSTITUTION
13 OR THE OFFENDERS STAYING IN THERE, WE STILL CAME IN ON DAY
14 ONE, STARTED ATTACKING THE PROBLEM, STARTED CLEANING
15 EVERYTHING UP. TODAY WE'RE PROUD, AS THE PHOTOS SHOW, THAT'S
16 PRIDE IN OWNERSHIP, THAT WHEN WE TAKE OVER A PROPERTY, IT'S
17 LIKE YOUR HOME, YOU REMODEL, YOU REPHRASE EVERYTHING AND
18 YOU'RE PROUD TO SHOW THAT PROPERTY, AND TODAY, YES, I
19 UNDERSTAND THE NEIGHBORS' CONCERN AND I'M WITH THEM. WE DON'T
20 WANT PROSTITUTION IN THE AREA, WE DON'T WANT SEX OFFENDERS,
21 AND THEY'RE NOT STAYING AT MY HOTEL. THEY NEVER HAVE. YES, IN
22 2007, AT ONE POINT IN TIME, WHEN WE WERE REMODELING, THEY WERE
23 STAYING THERE. ONCE WE FOUND OUT THEY WERE THOSE PAROLEES,
24 THEY'RE OUT OF THE SYSTEM, THEY'RE NOT AT OUR PROPERTY
25 ANYMORE. WE DON'T RENT HOURLY RATES. WE DON'T NEED THIS KIND



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1 OF CLIENTELE. BY CHANGING, UPGRADE TO DAYS INN, OUR CLIENTELE
2 CHANGES. WE DEPEND ON THE INTERNET. WE HAVE TRAVELERS, ROSE
3 PARADE, WE CONTRIBUTE TO THE COUNTY. WE'RE PAYING TAXES, 12
4 PERCENT. WE WENT AROUND TO THE NEIGHBORS A COUPLE OF MONTHS
5 AGO DOOR TO DOOR AND, YES, WE GOT A FEW SIGNATURES, HOPEFULLY
6 YOU GUYS GOT THOSE LETTERS, AND THEY SHOW SUPPORT THAT, YES,
7 WE'VE MADE A CHANGE, BUT TOGETHER AS A COMMUNITY, I CAME IN TO
8 BE PART OF THE COMMUNITY, NOT JUST ISOLATING MYSELF. IF
9 THERE'S A PROBLEM WITH THE NEIGHBORS, WE NEED TO GET A MEETING
10 TOGETHER AND WORK OUT THE PROBLEMS SO WE CAN BE HERE FOR THE
11 FUTURE TO TAKE CARE OF OUR CHILDREN.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

14

15 **BHUPENDRA BHAKTA:** THANK YOU FOR THIS TIME.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SAM PATEL.

18

19 **MELISSA CABRAL:** HELLO. MY NAME IS MELISSA CABRAL. IN MY
20 OPINION, I HAVE SEEN THE IMPROVEMENTS, THE IMPROVEMENTS THAT
21 THEY HAVE DONE AT THE DAYS INN HOTEL, AND I FEEL SECURE NOW
22 BECAUSE THEY HAVE THE SECURITY THERE. BEFORE, THEY USED TO BE
23 A LOT OF PROBLEMS AROUND, BUT NOW IT'S THE SAFEST PLACE TO GO
24 AROUND. THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. OKAY?

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3 **MELISSA CABRAL:** OH, BY THE WAY, I LIVE IN THE BACK OF THE
4 HOTEL. I LIVE ON 3799 GREEN STREET, SO EVERYTHING HAS IMPROVED
5 FOR ME. THANK YOU.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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9 **DIANE WICHERN:** MY NAME IS DIANE WICHERN AND MY HUSBAND AND I
10 TOOK THE TIME TO WRITE A LETTER TO SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND I
11 WOULD LIKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO READ IT INTO THE RECORD. WE ARE
12 WRITING THIS LETTER TO GIVE OUR HIGH OPINION OF DAYS INN AND
13 THEIR BUSINESS PRACTICES. WE ARE CURRENTLY GUESTS OF THE DAYS
14 INN LOCATED AT 1300 EAST COLORADO BOULEVARD, ROOM 104,
15 PASADENA, CALIFORNIA, 91007. DAYS INN OFFERS A SAFE, SECURE
16 CLEAN COMFORTABLE PLACE TO STAY. I AM DISABLED AND NEED MANY
17 OF THE SERVICES THEY PROVIDE, SUCH AS MAID SERVICE. SOMEBODY
18 AT THE FRONT DESK AT ALL TIMES IN CASE I HAVE A 9-1-1
19 EMERGENCY. THEY ALSO HAVE A SECURITY GUARD WHO GIVES US GREAT
20 PEACE OF MIND. WE HAVE LIVED IN THE PASADENA-ARCADIA AREA
21 SINCE 1978 AND VIVIDLY REMEMBER THE OLD REGAL INN LOCATED HERE
22 YEARS AGO. IT HAD A TERRIBLE REPUTATION, PROSTITUTION, DRUG
23 AND ALCOHOL USE ON OR NEAR THE PREMISES, BURGLARIES. THE
24 POLICE WERE THERE CONSTANTLY. THE NEW OWNERS REMODELED THE
25 BUILDING, INCLUDING TEARING DOWN THE ENTIRE FRONT FACING,



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1 INSTALLING SAFETY WINDOWS AND DOORS, ET CETERA. IT WAS A
2 REMARKABLE THING TO WITNESS THEIR EFFORTS AS MY AND MY HUSBAND
3 DROVE PASTY IT EACH DAY ON OUR WAY TO WORK. IT IS NOW THE
4 GREAT LOOKING EDIFICE SEEN TODAY. THE NEW OWNERS HAVE
5 OBVIOUSLY INSTITUTED NEW HIGH STANDARDS. THEIR GUEST LIST IS
6 STRICT MONITORED, SHOWING THAT ANYONE CAUGHT DOING ANYTHING
7 UNTOWARD IS ASKED TO LEAVE. AS MENTIONED BEFOREHAND, THEY HAVE
8 ENFORCEMENT OF AN ON-SITE SECURITY GUARD TO BACK THIS UP. DAYS
9 INN IS COMPARABLE TO OTHER REPUTABLE HOTELS IN THE AREA, SUCH
10 AS THE BEST WESTERN, HOLIDAY INN, EXPRESS, THE QUALITY INN,
11 ALL WITHIN A FEW BLOCKS OF THE DAYS INN. WE HAVE SEEN THAT ALL
12 THREE OF THESE HOTELS MENTIONED AND I CAN ATTEST TO THIS FACT
13 PERSONALLY. BUSINESSES, RESIDENTS, OURSELVES INCLUDED, AND LAW
14 ENFORCEMENT HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT CRIME IN THE AREAS ALONG
15 COLORADO BOULEVARD. THERE ARE BUSINESSES ALONG THIS CORRIDOR
16 WITH THE VERY LACKADAISICAL ATTITUDE TOWARD CRIME. THEY
17 INCLUDE THE LUCKY STAR AND SWISS LODGE HOTEL/MOTELS, JUST TO
18 NAME A FEW. WE WOULD HOPE THAT THESE ABOVE NAMED MENTIONED
19 BUSINESSES WOULD CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITY THAT CRIME MAY ARISE
20 OUT OF THEIR CHOICES THAT THEY MAKE, SUCH AS WHO THEY LET
21 THEIR ROOMS TO. AND I ALSO WANT TO SAY--

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU CAN PUT THAT LETTER INTO THE RECORD
24 IF YOU JUST HAND IT TO THE SHERIFF THERE. HE'LL PUT THAT AS
25 PART OF THE FULL RECORD.



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2 **DIANE WICHERN:** THANK YOU.

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4 **DUSTIN DINSMORE:** MY NAME IS DUSTIN DINSMORE. I'M FROM ARCADIA,
5 WHICH IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER. I GREW UP IN ARCADIA AND I
6 TRAVEL QUITE A BIT. I STAY PRETTY MUCH ONLY AT DAYS INNS ALL
7 AROUND THE COUNTRY AND, YOU KNOW, MOST OF THE DAYS INNS I STAY
8 AT ARE VERY NICE, INCLUDING THIS DAYS INN. I HAVE BEEN STAYING
9 THERE FOR ABOUT THREE YEARS. I STAYED THERE PRIOR TO WHEN IT
10 WAS THE REGAL INN. AS SOON AS THE NEW OWNERS TOOK OVER THIS,
11 IMMEDIATELY THEY STARTED RENOVATIONS, THEY STARTED IMPROVING
12 THE PROPERTY. I MEAN, IF YOU LOOK AT THE COMMUNITY RIGHT
13 THERE, IF YOU TAKE AN EXAMPLE OF A BUSINESS TRYING TO MAKE
14 IMPROVEMENTS AND MAKE THINGS BETTER, YOU GO TO THE DAYS INN.
15 STAY THERE ONE NIGHT. GO ANONYMOUSLY AND STAY THERE. YOU'LL
16 SEE THE RESULTS. IT'S QUIET, IT'S CLEAN, IT'S A TREMENDOUS
17 IMPROVEMENT THAN IT WAS TEN YEARS AGO OR SO. AS FAR AS THE
18 IMPROVEMENTS IN TERMS OF MOVING THE BUS STOP OUT OF THERE,
19 THAT'S HELPED THE LOITERING OF THE PROSTITUTION. THEY REMOVED
20 THE PAY PHONE THAT WAS OUT THERE. THAT'S ALSO STREAMLINED SOME
21 OF THAT STUFF. IT'S TRUE THERE'S BEEN A NEW BUSINESS NEXT
22 DOOR. THAT'S NOT THE FAULT OF THE DAYS INN. I MEAN, THEY'RE
23 JUST DOING WHAT THEY SHOULD DO TO MAKE THAT AREA BETTER. IF--
24 AGAIN, IF EVERY BUSINESS IN THAT AREA FOLLOWED THEIR EXAMPLE,
25 THAT WHOLE AREA WOULD BE CLEANED UP AND NICE AND ALL THAT



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1 STUFF, SO I REALLY, REALLY THINK THEY'VE DONE A GREAT JOB AND
2 THEY SHOULD CONTINUE TO TRY TO IMPROVE THAT AREA. WITH THE
3 SECURITY GUARD THERE 24 HOURS A DAY, THEY HAVE-- THE COMMUNITY
4 HAS SOMEBODY TO WATCH OUT FOR THEM NOW, AND IF THAT PLACE WERE
5 TO GO, IT WOULD BE BAD FOR THE WHOLE COMMUNITY THERE. THAT'S
6 ABSOLUTELY TRUE. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SAM PATEL AND THEN HOURY
9 TATLIAN.

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11 **SAM PATEL:** HELLO. SAM PATEL. I'M HERE TO SPEAK IN FAVOR OF THE
12 DAYS INN. THE BHAKTAS, I MET THEM A FEW YEARS AGO THROUGH A
13 MUTUAL ACQUAINTANCE THROUGH THE DAYS INN FRANCHISE, AND HE
14 ASKED ME TO SPEAK HERE TODAY, SO I AM. I DID A SIMILAR
15 RENOVATION LIKE THIS. IT TAKES A LOT OF ENERGY, TIME TO CLEAN
16 UP A PROPERTY OF THIS NATURE, BUT THEY'VE DONE A WONDERFUL
17 JOB. IT'S WEIRD HOW WE'RE HERE RIGHT NOW, THAT THEY'RE NOT
18 BEING REWARDED FOR THEIR EFFORTS, THEY'RE BEING ALMOST PUT
19 UNDER TRIAL FOR THEIR EFFORTS. IT'S VERY, VERY DISAPPOINTING
20 AS A BUSINESS OWNER TO SEE THAT. WHEN YOU TAKE A DAYS INN
21 FRANCHISE, NOT ONLY WHEN YOU SIGN UP FOR THEM, YEAH, THEY
22 INSPECT THE PROPERTY, THEY SET A STANDARD FOR HOW YOU NEED TO
23 OPERATE YOUR PROPERTY, BUT YOU HAVE TO PROVIDE CERTAIN
24 AMENITIES, LIKE BREAKFAST WITH DANISH, MUFFINS, COFFEE, ALL
25 THESE THINGS, YOU HAVE TO PUT MICROWAVE, REFRIGERATORS, COFFEE



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1 MAKERS INTO YOUR ROOMS, HAIR DRYERS. THESE ARE THE TYPE OF
2 AMENITIES A ROOM IN THE PROPERTY HAS, WIRELESS INTERNET. YOU
3 DON'T ADD A SHORT TIME IN A HOTEL OR A HOTEL THAT, YOU KNOW,
4 THAT'S HARBORING PAROLEES OR WHATEVER, SO I JUST WANT TO SAY,
5 YOU NEED TO GIVE THESE PEOPLE A SHOT. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

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9 **HOURLY TATLIAN:** HI. MY NAME IS HOURLY TATLIAN. I LIVE AT 34
10 NORTH QUIGLEY. MY HOUSE IS BETWEEN THE HOTEL DAYS INN AND THE
11 HOUSE THAT IS RENTED BY THE PAROLEES. I AM BETWEEN THE SEX
12 OFFENDERS AND THE HOTELS AND ALL THE THINGS, ALL THE SCENARIOS
13 THAT ARE HAPPENING IN THIS AREA. I AM THE ONE THAT I CALL THE
14 POLICE ALL THE TIME. I'VE BEEN LIVING IN THIS HOUSE FOR 17
15 YEARS. I DO HAVE A HISTORY OF THIS SITUATION. I'VE BEEN SEEING
16 SEX OFFENDERS ALL THE TIME, HOOKERS ALL THE TIME, CONDOMS IN
17 FRONT OF MY HOUSE AND MY HOUSE IS NEXT TO THE ALLEY AND THEN
18 ALL THE SEX IN THE ALLEY, IN THE CARS, IN FRONT OF MY HOUSE,
19 THEY DROP HOOKERS IN FRONT OF MY HOUSE. I KEEP CALLING THE
20 POLICE. POLICE HAS ALL THE PHONE CALLS THAT I'VE BEEN DOING
21 FOR THEM-- FOR THIS PROBLEMS. AND THEY COME AND KNOCK ON OUR
22 DOORS TWO TIMES ASKING FOR STRANGE PEOPLE, AND WE'RE NOT
23 LIVING SAFE ENVIRONMENT. I HAVE TWO KIDS AND THEN MY DAUGHTER
24 IS 17, SHE DOESN'T LIKE TO STAY BY HERSELF AT HOME BECAUSE
25 SHE'S SCARED, AND THEN EVERYTHING THAT THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT



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1 THE HOTEL, BEING RENOVATED, EVERYTHING IS VERY GOOD. I MEAN,
2 AS A FIGURE, BUT LIVING OVER THERE AND SEEING ALL THIS
3 SITUATION IS NOT THE SAME AS WHAT THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT. WE
4 ARE THE ONES THAT ARE LIVING AND SEEING EVERYTHING. YESTERDAY
5 NIGHT, IT WAS DRUG DEALERS GIVING DRUGS TO EACH OTHER, AROUND
6 2:30. AND THEN AUGUST 24, THE PROSTITUTION WAS IN FRONT OF MY
7 HOUSE WHEN I WAS DROPPING THE TRASH TO MY TRASH BIN. THIS IS
8 NOT-- I SAID, "WHAT ARE THEY DOING IN FRONT OF THE--?" THE
9 SAME MINUTE I CALLED THE POLICE AND THEN THEY SAID, "DID SHE
10 DO ANYTHING?" I DON'T KNOW. SHE WAS RUNNING AWAY FROM THE THE
11 OTHER HOOKERS OR SHE SAW THE POLICEMEN. I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE
12 STORY WAS, BUT SHE WAS IN FRONT, SHE WAS ON MY PROPERTY. THIS
13 IS AUGUST 24TH, 2009. AND THREE DAYS AGO, ONE OF THE PAROLEES
14 AND THE HOOKERS-- THE POLICE HAD THE RECORD ABOUT THEM. THEY
15 STOP THEM AND THEN PAROLEE WENT TO THE--

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THIS WAS COMING FROM THE PAROLEE HOUSE,
18 NOT THE HOTEL.

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20 **HOURLY TATLIAN:** IT'S FROM THE HOTEL. THE HOOKERS, JUST
21 POINTING, TALKING WITH THE CUSTOMERS AND POINTING TO THE
22 HOTEL, THAT "IF YOU'D LIKE TO GO TO THE HOTEL, THIS IS THE
23 HOTEL." I JUST STOOD THERE AND THEN LISTENING WHAT THEY'RE
24 TALKING ABOUT. AND SHE WAS YELLING AT ME, "WHY ARE YOU STARING
25 AT ME?"



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME IS UP. OKAY. THANK YOU.

3 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THE ITEM IS BEFORE US.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MAY I ASK SOME QUESTIONS OF REGIONAL PLANNING
6 FIRST. NOW THAT YOU'VE BEEN INVOLVED WITH THIS CASE, COULD YOU
7 LIST THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE PAST ISSUES THAT OCCURRED IN
8 THAT AREA AND HOW THE NEW OWNER HAS BEEN ADDRESSING THEM?

9

10 **MI KIM:** WHEN THE CASE WAS FIRST FILED, IT WAS FILED AS A REGAL
11 INN, WHICH IS AN INDEPENDENT MOTEL. DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING
12 PROCESS BEFORE THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION, THE APPLICANT
13 OBTAINED A FRANCHISE LICENSE AS A DAYS INN.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THAT FRANCHISE IS WITH THE NATIONWIDE
16 HOTEL/MOTEL CHAIN.

17

18 **MI KIM:** CORRECT, AND SUBJECT TO THE OPERATING CONDITIONS AND
19 STANDARDS OF A FRANCHISE MOTEL.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND ARE THERE ANY OPEN CODE ENFORCEMENT
22 ISSUES WITH DAYS INN AT THIS TIME?

23

24 **MI KIM:** CURRENTLY, THERE ARE NO OPEN ZONING VIOLATIONS ON THE
25 PROPERTY.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME THAT THE STAFF HAD
3 VISITED THE PROPERTY?

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5 **MI KIM:** LAST WEEK.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT WAS THE RESULT OF THAT VISIT?

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9 **MI KIM:** THE RESULT IS THAT THE ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER DID
10 NOT NOTICE ANY ZONING VIOLATIONS. I WAS TOLD THAT THE PROPERTY
11 WAS WELL MAINTAINED.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND DO YOU HAVE A COPY OF THE SEPTEMBER 18TH
14 MEMORANDUM FROM THE TREASURER TAX COLLECTOR CONCERNING THE
15 AUDIT OF THE APPLICANTS' OCCUPANCY TAXES?

16

17 **MI KIM:** YES, I DO.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND ARE THEY CURRENT?

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21 **MI KIM:** YES, THE APPLICANT IS CURRENT.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, HAVE YOU BEEN
24 INVOLVED WITH ANY OF THE OUTREACH FOR ESTABLISHING A COMMUNITY
25 STANDARDS DISTRICT FOR THE AREA?



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2 **MI KIM:** FOR THIS AREA, NO, I HAVE NOT.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THERE HAVE BEEN SOME-- COUNTY STAFF HAS BEEN
5 OUT THERE, ALONG WITH MY STAFF, MEETING WITH SOME OF THE
6 NEIGHBORHOOD PEOPLE RELATIVE TO A COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT
7 AND THAT IS A WORK IN PROGRESS, ENCOURAGING THE BUSINESS
8 OWNERS TO WORK WITH REGIONAL PLANNING STAFF TO FORM THIS
9 C.S.D. WE KNOW IT'S BEEN A POSITIVE PROGRAM IN OTHER AREAS
10 WHERE WE DIDN'T HAVE SUCH STANDARDS IMPLEMENTED. THIS IS A
11 SITUATION WHERE WE HAVE SOME NON FRANCHISED LOCAL MOTELS THAT
12 HAVE HAD A SEVERE CHRONIC PROBLEM RELATIVE TO THE PROSTITUTION
13 AND OTHER ISSUES DEALING WITH THOSE OPERATIONS. MANY OF THOSE
14 MOTELS WILL BE COMING BEFORE THIS BOARD WITHIN THE NEXT TWO
15 YEARS FOR THEIR C.U.P. EVALUATION AND AT THOSE TIMES, WE WILL
16 BE ABLE TO IMPLEMENT NECESSARY ACTIONS AGAINST THOSE WHO HAVE
17 VIOLATED THOSE STANDARDS OF OPERATION, BUT IN THIS CASE, WITH
18 DAYS INN, YOU'VE HAD AN APPLICANT WHO HAS PUT IN OVER A
19 MILLION DOLLARS IN RENOVATIONS, UPGRADING AND AFFILIATING WITH
20 A NATIONAL FRANCHISE. I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE ARE ISSUES
21 RAISED BY THE NEIGHBORS, THEY RELATE TO THIS PARTICULAR
22 PROPERTY AND OTHER MOTELS ALONG COLORADO BOULEVARD BETWEEN
23 ARCADIA AND PASADENA. MY OFFICE HAS-- CONTINUES TO WORK TO
24 ADDRESS THOSE CONCERNS, SUSAN EMER [PH?] AND RITA DJEMUKIAN
25 [PH?] THEY HAVE BEEN INVOLVED WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY AND



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1 THEIR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND OUR LOCAL CITIES AS WELL IN THE
2 CITIES OF PASADENA AND ARCADIA RELATIVE TO THE PROSTITUTION,
3 THE DRUG USE AND THE SOCIAL ILLS THAT ARE PLAGUING THAT AREA
4 ALONG WITH A PROPOSED STRIP CLUB THAT WAS INVOLVED WITH AND
5 NOW I UNDERSTAND THAT STRIP CLUB IS SUING US FOR THE ACTIONS
6 THAT WE TOOK AGAINST THEIR WANTING TO OPERATE THE TYPE OF CLUB
7 THAT THEY WERE TRYING TO OPERATE. BUT SEPARATE AND APART FROM
8 THIS CASE WE'RE ALSO WORKING TO IMPROVE THE APPEARANCES ON THE
9 STRETCH OF COLORADO TO MATCH THE ONGOING PROJECTS AND
10 RENOVATIONS AND UPGRADES THAT'S NOW TAKING PLACE ON ROSEMEAD
11 BOULEVARD BETWEEN FOOTHILL DOWN THROUGH TEMPLE CITY. LASTLY,
12 WE CONTINUE TO MONITOR LOCAL BUSINESSES THAT MAY BE
13 ENCOURAGING ACTIVITIES NOT PERMITTED BY THE COUNTY PERMITS IN
14 THIS AREA, AND THAT'S WHY I WOULD AGAIN ENCOURAGE OUR BUSINESS
15 COMMUNITY THERE TO BE INVOLVED WITH ESTABLISHING THE C.S.D.
16 WHILE THERE REMAINS OPPOSITION TO THE PROJECT, OUR OFFICE HAS
17 RECEIVED MANY LETTERS IN SUPPORT, AND AS THE COMMITTEE-- THE
18 BOARD MEMBERS HAVE HEARD TODAY, THERE ARE RESIDENTS WHO HAVE
19 TESTIFIED RELATIVE TO THE CHANGE IN CULTURE AND PRACTICES THAT
20 HAS NOW OCCURRED WITH DAYS INN, UNLIKE THE OTHER FACILITIES IN
21 THAT AREA. SINCE THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION'S DENIAL AND
22 THE APPLICANT, AS I SAID, HAS MADE GOOD FAITH EFFORTS RELATIVE
23 TO OPERATING AND UPGRADING AND ENSURING THAT THE TYPE OF
24 ACTIVITIES THAT HAVE BEEN GOING ON IN OTHER AREAS WOULD NOT BE
25 GOING ON IN THAT FACILITY. I'D LIKE TO READ A MOTION THAT



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1 WOULD INCLUDE SOME CONDITIONS. THIS IS C.U.P. WHICH IS THE
2 APPLICATION OPERATING THE MOTEL 3800 EAST COLORADO BOULEVARD
3 AND UNINCORPORATED EAST PASADENA. SINCE REGIONAL PLANNING
4 COMMISSION'S DECISION ON THIS CASE, AS I STATED, THE APPLICANT
5 HAS MADE GOOD FAITH EFFORT TO IMPROVE THE OPERATION IN
6 APPEARANCE IN THE FACILITY. WHILE REGIONAL PLANNING HAS
7 PREPARED ITS DRAFT SET OF CONDITIONS, WE'VE ALSO ADDED OTHERS.
8 STAFF SHOULD REVISIT THESE CONDITIONS TO ENSURE THAT THEY ARE
9 COMPLETE, THOROUGH AND CURRENT. ONE WOULD BE THAT THE
10 APPLICANT SHALL NOT RENT TO ANY PATRONS ON AN HOURLY BASIS.
11 ALL PATRONS MUST SHOW A VALID PICTURE IDENTIFICATION BEFORE
12 RENTING A ROOM. A VOLUNTEER BY THE APPLICANT, THE
13 ESTABLISHMENT SHALL NOT RENT TO SEX OFFENDERS AND/OR PAROLEES.
14 THE APPLICANT SHALL MAINTAIN A LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH DAYS INN
15 OR ANOTHER NATIONWIDE MOTEL CHAIN FOR THE DURATION OF THIS
16 GRANT AND SHALL PROVIDE EVIDENCE OF THE SAME TO THE DEPARTMENT
17 OF REGIONAL PLANNING. FAILURES TO DO THIS WOULD END UP IN
18 REVOCATION OF THEIR PERMIT TO OPERATE. TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE
19 WITH THESE CONDITIONS AND DURING THE TERM OF THIS GRANT WHICH
20 WILL BE FOUR ANNUAL INSPECTIONS BY REGIONAL PLANNING, TWO
21 SCHEDULED AND TWO UNANNOUNCED, THE APPLICANT WOULD MAINTAIN A
22 VIDEO CAMERA SYSTEM OF THE ENTIRE PROPERTY, INCLUDING THE
23 RENTAL OFFICE, MAINTAINING THE VIDEO FOR A MINIMUM OF 30 DAYS,
24 MAKING IT AVAILABLE TO LAW ENFORCEMENT UPON REQUEST, THE
25 APPLICANT WOULD MAKE A LOG OF ALL MOTEL PATRONS, A COPY OF



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1 WHICH SHALL BE PROVIDED TO REGIONAL PLANNING ON AN ANNUAL
2 BASIS. THE LOG PATRONS WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION BY
3 COUNTY STAFF AT ANY TIME UPON REQUEST. WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE
4 GRANT, THE APPLICANT WOULD SUBMIT A LANDSCAPE PLAN TO DIRECTOR
5 OF REGIONAL PLANNING FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL. LANDSCAPING
6 WOULD BE MAINTAINED IN A NEAT, CLEAN HEALTHY CONDITION AND AT
7 ALL TIMES. TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH ALL RELEVANT CONDITIONS,
8 THE APPLICANT SHALL PROVIDE AND MAINTAIN ON FILE WITH REGIONAL
9 PLANNING CONTACT NAME AND PHONE NUMBER OF THE OPERATOR OWNER
10 OF THE MOTEL. NO ILLEGAL DRUG SALES WOULD BE KNOWINGLY PERMIT
11 ON THE SUBJECT PROPERTY. FOR ANY PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS, THE
12 APPLICANT WOULD SECURE ALL NECESSARY PERMITS FROM PUBLIC
13 PLANNING AND OTHER APPROPRIATE AGENCIES. NEON ADJACENT
14 LIGHTING OR SIGNAGE IS PROHIBITED ANYWHERE ON THE SUBJECT
15 PROPERTY. ALL GRAFFITI WOULD BE REMOVED WITHIN 24 HOURS. THE
16 OWNER WOULD ENGAGE A LICENSED SECURITY PATROL SERVICE TO
17 PREVENT VIOLATIONS OF LAW AND ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THESE
18 CONDITIONS, WOULD NOTIFY THE SHERIFF OF ANY VIOLATIONS OF LAW
19 OCCURRING ON THE PROPERTY. SECURITY GUARDS WOULD BE UNIFORMED
20 AS TO BE READY-- READILY IDENTIFIED AS A SECURITY GUARD.
21 SECURITY GUARD SHALL BE ON SITE DURING ALL EVENING DARKNESS
22 HOURS AND SHALL WALK THE SITE AT LEAST ON AN HOURLY BASIS
23 DURING THIS TIME. WITHIN 60 DAYS OF THIS GRANT, THE APPLICANT
24 WOULD PROVIDE A COPY OF A CONTRACT WITH A LICENSED SECURITY
25 PATROL SERVICE TO REGIONAL PLANNING. WITH THOSE CONDITIONS AND



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1 ANY OF THESE VIOLATIONS WOULD REVOKE THEIR CONDITION TO
2 OPERATE. I WOULD MOVE THAT THE BOARD CLOSE THE HEARING AND
3 ATTEMPT TO APPROVE THE APPEAL AND DIRECT THE COUNTY COUNSEL
4 AND REGIONAL PLANNING TO PREPARE FINDINGS, CONDITIONS
5 INCLUDING THE CONDITIONS REFLECTED WITH THE BACK TO THE BOARD
6 FOR A FUTURE MEETING.

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8 **LARRY HAFETZ, COUNSEL:** SUPERVISOR, IF I COULD JUST ADD ONE
9 POINT, AND THAT IS FOR THE APPEAL, IT WOULD INCLUDE NOT ONLY
10 THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT BUT THE PARKING DEVIATION THAT WAS
11 REQUESTED AS WELL AS THE SIGN MODIFICATION.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'LL SECOND THE MOTION, BUT JUST A
16 COUPLE OF QUESTIONS. ONE, WHEN YOU HAVE SOMEONE-- IT REMINDS
17 ME OF-- THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY, I THINK, IT REMINDS ME OF THE
18 CITY OF PARAMOUNT WHERE THEY DID IT ONE NICE YARD AT A TIME
19 WITH A WHITE PICKET FENCE AND KEEP GOING DOWN. WITH THESE
20 RELATIVELY TOUGH CONDITIONS, DOES THAT ENHANCE OUR OPPORTUNITY
21 FOR ENFORCEMENT FOR THE NEIGHBORING PROPERTIES? BECAUSE WHAT I
22 HEARD TODAY WAS THAT THERE'S BEEN, YOU KNOW, A MAJOR EFFORT ON
23 BEHALF OF THE DAYS INN PEOPLE TO DO THE RIGHT THING, BUT
24 OBVIOUSLY IT CONTINUES IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND THAT'S WHAT WE



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1 HAVE TO DO. DOES THIS ENHANCE THESE CONDITIONS, ENHANCE OUR
2 OPPORTUNITY TO GET TOUGH WITH THE OTHER PIECES OF PROPERTY?

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6 >>MI KIM: THE CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL WOULD BE BINDING ON THE
7 SUBJECT PROPERTY'S OWNER. HOWEVER, I BELIEVE THAT THE SECURITY
8 PATROL, THE CONDITION REGARDING THAT IS FOR ON-PREMISE AND
9 AROUND THE PREMISES ITSELF, THAT THAT SHOULD HELP WITH THE
10 SITUATION.

11

12 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: AND THEN WHILE IT'S SPELLED OUT IN HERE
13 SPECIFIC, THERE'S SOME THINGS THEY HAVE TO DO, WHAT IS THE
14 FREQUENCY OF OUR MONITORING AND OVERSIGHT OF THE PROPERTY.

15

16 SPEAKER: CURRENTLY IN THE CONDITIONS APPROVAL, THERE ARE 11
17 ZONING INSPECTIONS BUILT IN. THE FIRST ONE WE'LL WITHIN SIX
18 MONTHS OF APPROVAL AND THEREAFTER ONE EVERY YEAR.

19

20 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: IN ADDITION, PERIODICALLY, I KNOW IN
21 THAT BUSINESS, SOMEONE TESTIFIED THAT THE DAYS INN FOLKS SHOW
22 UP AS A SURPRISE INSPECTION. DO WE DO THAT AS IT RELATES TO
23 PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUES, AS IT RELATES TO CHECKING REGISTRATIONS,
24 MAKE SURE THEY'RE NOT-- I MEAN, HOW DO WE KNOW THAT THEY'RE
25 NOT-- HOW DO WE KNOW THAT THEY'RE ABIDING BY THE CONDITIONS?



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2 **SPEAKER:** THERE ARE FOUR A YEAR.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I KNOW, BUT THEY KNOW WHEN THOSE FOUR
5 ARE.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO. TWO UNANNOUNCED AND TWO ANNOUNCED.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. BECAUSE I THINK THAT'S REALLY
10 IMPORTANT, BECAUSE YOU CAN HAVE ALL THE CONDITIONS WRITTEN OUT
11 LIKE YOU WANT BUT UNLESS YOU'VE OVERSIGHT AND STRONG
12 MONITORING, IT'S REALLY NOT WORTH THE PAPER IT'S WRITTEN ON,
13 SO I WOULD THINK THAT IF WE NEED MORE THAN, THEN THAT WOULD BE
14 BETTER THAN LESS, SO IT IS CALLED OUT FOR TWO UNANNOUNCED?

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** TWO UNANNOUNCED. IF YOU WANT TO DO THREE
17 UNANNOUNCED AND THREE ANNOUNCED.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO AS AMENDED.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THREE UNANNOUNCED, THREE ANNOUNCED.
24 OKAY. ALL RIGHT. WITH THAT CHANGE, THEN THE ITEM IS BEFORE US.
25 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT



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1 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THANK YOU ALL FOR TAKING THE TIME ON
2 BOTH SIDES TO COME DOWN AND TESTIFY. WE APPRECIATE IT. THANK
3 YOU.

4

5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OKAY. WE ARE NOW ON ITEM NUMBER 5. THIS IS
6 A DE NOVO HEARING ON PROJECT NUMBER R-2006-01315-5 CONDITIONAL
7 USE PERMIT CASE NUMBER 2006-00095-5 IN CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION
8 LOCATED AT 3872 EAST COLORADO BOULEVARD, PASADENA, WITHIN THE
9 EAST PASADENA EAST SAN GABRIEL COMMUNITY, EAST PASADENA ZONED
10 DISTRICT APPLIED FOR BY DIANA MEI CHANG. THERE IS A DEPARTMENT
11 STATEMENT ON THIS AND WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WAS ALSO
12 RECEIVED.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. BY THE WAY, I THOUGHT I SAW SOME
15 HANDS GO UP IN REGARDS TO SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S MOTION. I'M
16 SURE THAT IF YOU'D LIKE A COPY, THAT THE STAFF CAN MAKE SURE
17 THAT THEY GET COPIES, IF YOU'D LIKE A COPY OF HIS MOTION.
18 OKAY. AGAIN, WE'RE GOING TO GO TO THE STAFF FOR REPORT, THEN
19 WE HAVE A NUMBER OF SPEAKERS ON THIS ISSUE AS WELL TOO.

20

21 **MI KIM:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MI KIM, AGAIN, WITH ZONING
22 PERMITS, REGIONAL PLANNING AND NEXT TO ME IS MARK CHILD. ITEM
23 NUMBER 5 IS A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT REQUEST TO CONTINUE
24 OPERATIONS OF A 13 UNIT MOTEL, LUCKY STAR, IN A STATE 2
25 NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS ZONE. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS 5,667



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1 SQUARE FEET. THE MOTEL WAS BUILT IN 1947 AND DOES NOT NEED
2 CURRENT ZONING DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS INCLUDING PARKING,
3 LANDSCAPING AND SET-BACK REQUIREMENTS. THE REGIONAL PLANNING
4 COMMISSION HELD TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THIS CASE. AT THE
5 HEARINGS, THE APPLICANT TESTIFIED THAT SHE HAS MADE EFFORTS TO
6 IMPROVE THE PROPERTY BY REPAINTING THE PARKING LOT, PROVIDING
7 ADDITIONAL LANDSCAPING, PROVIDING SECURITY SURVEILLANCE AND
8 SENDING A LETTER TO THE DIVISION OF ADULT PAROLEE OPERATIONS
9 TO DISCONTINUE PLACEMENT OF PAROLEES AT THE SUBJECT MOTEL. NO
10 OTHER PERSONS TESTIFIED IN SUPPORT OF THE PROJECT. THE PROJECT
11 OPPONENTS TESTIFIED THAT THE SUBJECT MOTEL IS ESPECIALLY
12 EGREGIOUS WHEN IT COMES TO ILLEGAL AND NUISANCE ACTIVITIES. ON
13 OCTOBER 1ST, 2008, THE COMMISSION VOTED 5-0 TO DENY THE
14 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT. THE APPLICANT IS APPEALING THIS
15 DENIAL. THIS CONCLUDES STAFF PRESENTATION. CONCLUDED STAFF
16 PRESENTATION. THANK YOU.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANY QUESTIONS OF STAFF BEFORE I CALL
19 SPEAKERS UP AGAIN? I SEE SOME FAMILIAR NAMES IN THE STACK, AND
20 AGAIN, TWO MINUTES, THERE'LL BE A NUMBER OF SPEAKERS. FIRST OF
21 ALL, THOMAS EDMISTEN, SYLVIA BEEMAN, REX MOATS, ELIZA WHITMAN,
22 THE FIRST FOUR.

23
24 **REX MOATS:** I WILL BEGIN. REX MOATS, VICE PRESIDENT OF EPIC.
25 I'VE BEEN FIGHTING IT FOR TEN YEARS AND YOU GUYS DID NOTHING



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1 AS USUAL. SO LET ME POINT OUT, IF YOU WOULD TURN TO THE THING
2 THAT I GAVE YOU, THE LAST C.P.U. GENERATED APPROVED HOTEL
3 APPROVED BY THIS COMMITTEE WHICH I BELIEVE A NUMBER OF YOU
4 WERE ON. IS IT A BUSINESS? SIX SEX OFFENDERS COUNT AS A
5 BUSINESS? LOOK AT THE SIGN. OKAY. THIS WAS APPROVED AS A
6 C.P.U., JUST LIKE YOU'RE DOING NOW, JUST LIKE YOU DID BEFORE.
7 WHAT'S THE ENFORCEMENT ARM OF THE OFFICE OF THE PLANNING?
8 NOTHING. THERE ISN'T ONE. OKAY? YOU CAN'T ENFORCE IT UNTIL THE
9 NEXT TIME THE C.U.P. COMES UP. THAT'S RIDICULOUS. YOU HAVE NO
10 ENFORCEMENT ARM. YOU CHOSE TO DO NOTHING. THE LUCKY STAR WAS
11 BAD. LET ME ALSO GIVE YOU ANOTHER LESSON. WHEN YOU ASKED THE
12 QUESTION TO YOUR STAFF, WAS THERE ANY OUTSTANDING THING? THEY
13 SAID NO, THAT WAS NOT TRUE. THEIR SIGN DID NOT FIT AND THEIR
14 PARKING DID NOT FIT, BUT YOU JUST GRANTED IT, YOU JUST ALLOWED
15 THE EXEMPTION TO WHAT'S NOT ALLOWED AT THE TIME YOU ASKED THE
16 QUESTION. THAT'S CRAZY. ARE YOU GOING TO DO THE SAME THING
17 WITH THE LUCKY STAR LIKE YOU DID WITH THE EL RANCHO AND THE
18 REGAL INN? ARE YOU GOING TO SAY, "OKAY, CLEAN UP AND THEN
19 WE'LL GO AHEAD AND GRANT IT TO YOU"? LET ME GIVE YOU A LITTLE
20 HISTORY AND YOU CAN CHECK. 2005, THEY BOUGHT IT. IT WAS A PIT
21 WHEN THEY BOUGHT IT. 2006, THE COUNTY SHOWED UP AND SAID,
22 "HEY, YOU HAVEN'T APPLIED FOR ANY OF YOUR PERMITS. WHAT'S
23 WRONG WITH YOU GUYS?" THEN YOU BAIL THEM OUT OVER THE NEXT
24 YEAR OR TWO BY SLOWING US DOWN, AND THEN YOU GRANT THEM A
25 PERMIT. WE'RE TELLING YOU THIS IS AN ISSUE OF SELF-



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1 DETERMINIZATION OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. WE WANT IT CLEANED UP AND
2 WE'RE TIRED OF IT. OKAY. YOU PAY FOR THE SEX OFFENDER TO BUY
3 THE HOUSE NEXT TO MINE. THANK YOU. HE LOVES YOU. OKAY? YOU
4 PAY. THANK YOU. TO OVERSEE IT. NOW, THE LUCKY STAR EXISTS OFF
5 THESE RAPISTS, AND STUFF, JUST LIKE THE EL RANCHO DOES. OKAY.
6 THANKS FOR THE HELPING. NOT AT ALL.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. NEXT. JOHANNA GIRARD, IF YOU'LL
9 JOIN US, PLEASE. GO AHEAD.

10

11 **THOMAS EDMISTEN:** I WAS CALLED FIRST.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

14

15 **THOMAS EDMISTEN:** MY NAME IS THOMAS EDMISTEN. I HAVE-- COULD
16 ONLY AMPLIFY DR. MOATS'S REMARKS. IT'S DIFFICULT WHEN THERE IS
17 NO SPECIFIC MODE OF ENFORCEMENT. I NOTICE IN MY OWN
18 NEIGHBORHOOD OF ATWATER, CALIFORNIA, THERE IS A PARK THAT HAS
19 BEEN PROBLEMATIC AT TIMES WITH VIOLENCE, DRUGS AND OTHER
20 ACTIVITIES, AND THE POLICE-- LOS ANGELES POLICE ACTUALLY SEND
21 A VAN AND ESTABLISH A SMALL SUBSTATION. I THINK IT WOULD BE A
22 GRAND IDEA IF SOMETHING LIKE THAT COULD OCCUR AT NIGHT IN THIS
23 NEIGHBORHOOD, AND I HAVE NO FURTHER REMARKS.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. JOSHUA BEEMAN.



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2 **ELIZA WHITMAN:** HI. MY NAME IS ELIZA JANE WHITMAN. ONE OF THE

3 THINGS I WANTED TO BRING UP IS SOMETHING THAT I MENTIONED AS

4 ONE OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS, AND THAT IS I THINK

5 THAT THE COMMUNITY REALLY WOULD LIKE TO WORK ON HOW TO MAKE

6 THIS A BETTER AREA AND A BETTER PLACE. AS HOMEOWNERS, WE HAVE

7 SEEN A DECLINE OF OUR PROPERTIES-- PROPERTY VALUES AND WE DO

8 KNOW THAT SEVERAL HAVE SAID THAT THEY SPECIFICALLY WILL NOT

9 BUY IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD BECAUSE OF THE SEX OFFENDER AREA AND

10 THE HIGH CONCENTRATION. WE DO UNDERSTAND THAT RENOVATIONS HAVE

11 OCCURRED FOR DAYS INN AND OTHERS, BUT I THINK IF YOU TALK

12 ABOUT ECONOMICS, YOU CANNOT JUST LOOK AT ONE INDIVIDUAL, AND

13 SO YOU INDICATED THAT THERE IS A C.S.D. OCCURRING. THIS IS THE

14 FIRST I'VE EVER HEARD OF IT. EPIC HAS NEVER BEEN CONTACTED. I

15 THINK THAT IF THAT IS OCCURRING, THAT WE SHOULD BE GIVEN THE

16 OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE AND TO ENCOURAGE MODIFICATIONS FOR

17 IMPROVEMENT AND TO PROVIDE, AS THE PASTOR SAID, AN AREA FOR

18 THE GREATER GOOD OF ALL, AND SO I THINK IF YOU WILL VOTE AND

19 THINK ABOUT WHAT THE LUCKY STAR IS APPLYING FOR, THAT IS NOT

20 FOR THE GREATER GOOD OF ALL. IT IS NOT-- THIS AREA IS NOT

21 ZONED FOR THE LUCKY STAR TYPE AREAS, IT IS ONE THAT IS FOR

22 RESIDENTIAL, AND SO I THINK WE NEED TO TAKE THAT INTO

23 CONSIDERATION. SO I DO KNOW THAT YOU GUYS HAVE THE ABILITY TO

24 GIVE TAX BREAKS AND SOME OTHER THINGS FOR BUSINESSES MOVING

25 IN. THAT, I BELIEVE, IS SOMETHING THAT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED.



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1 THERE WAS SOMEONE WE KNOW THAT LIVES IN CHAPMAN WOODS, A
2 DEVELOPER WHO INDICATED HE WANTED TO COME IN AND REDEVELOP AND
3 PUT APARTMENTS IN THIS AREA, BUT ONCE HE HEARD ABOUT THE HIGH
4 SEX CRIME AND OTHER THINGS GOING ON, HE DECIDED NOT TO. SO
5 PLEASE INCLUDE US AS PART OF THE C.S.D. ACTIVITIES, AND IF YOU
6 WILL LET US KNOW WHEN THOSE MEETINGS OCCUR, WE'D BE HAPPY TO
7 PARTICIPATE. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

10

11 **SYLVIA BEEMAN:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DR. SYLVIA BEEMAN.
12 AGAIN, I'M THE DENTAL OFFICE ON COLORADO BOULEVARD, AND I JUST
13 REALLY WANT YOU GUYS TO UNDERSTAND THAT WE ARE SITTING RIGHT
14 BEHIND-- WE'RE SITTING RIGHT IN FRONT OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD, AND
15 I DON'T THINK YOU GUYS REALLY GET IT. THESE MOTELS, IT'S LIKE
16 CREAMING SUGAR AND BUTTER TOGETHER. ONCE IT'S DONE, YOU CAN'T
17 SEPARATE THEM. MOTELS EQUAL CRIME, THEY EQUAL VAGRANTS, THEY
18 EQUAL TRANSIENTS, THEY EQUAL DRUG TRAFFIC, PROSTITUTION.
19 THERE'S INTERNET PROSTITUTION. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU UNDERSTAND
20 THIS, BUT I COME FROM A WHOLE LINE OF SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES. THEY
21 DON'T HAVE TO STAND ON THE STREET CORNER. THEY CAN SHOW THEIR
22 I.D., GET A HOTEL ROOM, CHECK IN JUST LIKE EVERYONE ELSE. THEY
23 DON'T HAVE TO WEAR THE SHORT SKIRT, THEY DON'T HAVE TO STAND
24 OUT IN THE FRONT. THEY'RE ALREADY IN THERE AND THEY JUST CALL
25 THE PERSON AND COME VISIT ME. IT'S NOT THE SAME ANYMORE. WE'RE



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1 LIVING IN A WHOLE DIFFERENT ERA. YOU HAVE THE SHOW DOWN THE
2 STREET WHICH WE KNOW IS A PROSTITUTION HUB. IT'S JUST LABELED
3 DIFFERENTLY. YOU'VE GOT HOTELS THAT INVITE THEM AFTERWARDS TO
4 COME STAY. YOU CAN'T LOOK AT CHANGE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD IN
5 GETTING LEGITIMATE BUSINESS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD WHEN YOU STILL
6 HAVE THESE MOTELS YEAR AFTER YEAR AFTER YEAR, YOU GIVE
7 CONTINUAL USE PERMITS FOR THEM TO STAY. WE CAN'T CHANGE UNLESS
8 YOU GET THEM OUT OF THERE. WE CAN'T BUILD AND GROW AND CHANGE
9 LIKE FOOTHILL BOULEVARD IS. WE NEED THEM OUT. THEY CANNOT
10 STAY. I HAVE A COUPLE OF PICTURES OF THE LUCKY STAR THIS YEAR,
11 JUST EARLIER, YOU'VE GOT CONDOM WRAPPERS IN THE FRONT, TRASH
12 IN THE BACK, SOFAS, A LOT OF TIMES SHOPPING CARTS AT THE BACK
13 OF THE PROPERTY, WHICH MY CLIENTS HAVE TO COME DOWN THAT
14 ALLEYWAY TO GET TO OUR PARKING LOT. SHOPPING CARTS OFTENTIMES
15 GET IN THE WAY. I'VE GOTTEN OUT OF MY CAR TO MOVE THEM THIS
16 SOFA, LITTLE SOFA CHAIR, IT STAYED BACKWARDS FOR ONE DAY. THE
17 NEXT DAY IT WAS TURNED AROUND. DO YOU KNOW WHAT ACTIVITIES GO
18 ON IN THAT CHAIR IN THE ALLEYWAY? RIGHT BEHIND THIS HOTEL.
19 THAT WAS THERE FOR SEVERAL WEEKS.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. TIME IS UP. WOULD YOU GET THE
22 PICTURES FOR US? PLEASE?

23

24 **ELIZA WHITMAN:** AND TOILET SEATS IN THE BACK THAT IS STILL
25 VISIBLE TO THE PUBLIC. IS NOT ACCEPTABLE.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SAM CONTINO, IF YOU WILL JOIN US,
3 PLEASE.

4

5 **JOHANNA GIRARD:** MY NAME IS JOHANNA GIRARD, I'M THE NEW OWNER
6 OF THE LITTLE ART SCHOOL THAT I OPENED ON 3763 EAST COLORADO
7 BOULEVARD. I'M PRETTY NEW TO THIS ISSUE, AS I'VE BEEN
8 LEARNING, I'M SHOCKED TO FIND OUT THAT THESE RESIDENTS IN THE
9 NEIGHBORHOOD HAVE BEEN SCREAMING AT YOU FOR SO MANY YEARS FOR
10 SOMETHING TO BE DONE. AS I SAID PREVIOUSLY, I FIRST FOUND OUT
11 ABOUT THIS BECAUSE THE FATHER OF ONE OF MY STUDENTS IS THE
12 PUBLIC DEFENDER WHO SPECIALIZES IN THESE TYPES OF CRIMES, THE
13 VIOLENT SEX OFFENDERS. WHEN HE SHOWED ME THE CURRENT MEGAN LAW
14 WEBSITE, THE DAYS INN WAS ON THERE AS ONE OF THE PROPERTIES
15 THAT WAS HOUSING FIVE OR SIX. SO I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY THESE
16 KEEP COMING IN, AND OBVIOUSLY, AS YOU'VE--

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME JUST-- LET ME JUST CORRECT THE RECORD
19 ON THAT. WHEN A PERSON, WHEN A SEX OFFENDER LEAVES AND THEY
20 DON'T HAVE A NEW ADDRESS FOR HIM, THEY USE THE OLD ADDRESS.

21

22 **JOHANNA GIRARD:** THEY USE THE OLD ADDRESS? OH GEE, GREAT. SO WE
23 DON'T KNOW WHO'S COMING AND GOING, RIGHT?

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHEN WE GO INTO QUESTION-AND-ANSWER, I'LL
2 HAVE THE COUNTY COUNSEL ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF THE SEXUAL
3 PREDATOR ORDINANCE THAT WE HAD PASSED THAT WILL ANSWER SOME OF
4 THESE QUESTIONS.

5

6 **JOHANNA GIRARD:** ALL RIGHT. YEAH. I APOLOGIZE. I'M JUST REALLY
7 NEW TO THIS. LIKE I SAY, I JUST OPENED MY BUSINESS ON AUGUST
8 29TH, SO I WAS REALLY, BOY, IT HIT ME LIKE A TON OF BRICKS
9 WHEN THE GENTLEMAN INFORMED ME, AND THE WORDS HE USED WAS THAT
10 IT WAS A HIGHLY UNUSUAL CONCENTRATION OF VIOLENT SEXUAL
11 PREDATORS, AND I REMEMBER THE PHRASE VERBATIM BECAUSE HEARING
12 IT FOR THE FIRST TIME WHEN YOU OPEN YOUR OWN LITTLE ART SCHOOL
13 FOR LITTLE KIDS, BOY, THOSE WORDS HIT ME LIKE A TON OF BRICKS,
14 SO-- AND IF HE'S CHARACTERIZING IT AS AN UNUSUALLY HIGH
15 CONCENTRATION AND HE'S THE PUBLIC DEFENDER, YOU KNOW, IT MADE
16 AN IMPACT, SO WHATEVER YOU GUYS CAN DO TO FIX THAT, I'D REALLY
17 APPRECIATE IT. I HATE THE THOUGHT OF HAVING MY LITTLE STUDENTS
18 COMING TO SCHOOL IN A NEIGHBORHOOD LIKE THAT, SO THANK YOU.

19

20 **JOSHUA BEEMAN:** JOSHUA BEEMAN. AGAIN, I DO THE JANITORIAL WORK
21 FOR DR. BEEMAN'S OFFICE.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SPEAK UP LOUDER.

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1 **JOSHUA BEEMAN:** MY NAME IS JOSHUA BEEMAN, AND I DO THE
2 MAINTENANCE WORK THE OFFICE, DR. BEEMAN'S OFFICE. JUST BEING
3 THERE AFTER HOURS AND EARLY MORNINGS, I DO SEE A LOT MORE, I
4 SEE PEOPLE WITH WRAPPED UP ALCOHOL BOTTLES IN A PAPER BAG
5 WALKING TO THE MOTEL FROM THE LIQUOR STORE OR DRINKING AS THEY
6 GO OR WOMEN WITH THEM AND IT'S NOT A PLEASANT ENVIRONMENT TO
7 WORK IN. I MEAN, ESPECIALLY YOU HAVE TO GO IN THE DARK, YOU
8 KNOW, YOU DON'T KNOW WHO IS COMING IN THAT ALLEY, AND THEN
9 SOMETIMES EVEN IN THE DAY YOU SEE THEM, I MEAN JUST CLEANING
10 UP CONDOM WRAPPERS AND STUFF LIKE THAT, IT'S JUST QUITE
11 DISGUSTING. IT'S NOT PLEASANT. THAT'S ALL.

12

13 **SAM CONTINO:** I'M DR. SAM CONTINO, I'M A DENTIST IN PASADENA.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'D ASK LEROY WELCH AND HOUY TATLIAN TO
16 JOIN US, PLEASE. GO AHEAD, SIR.

17

18 **SAM CONTINO:** I'M DR. SAM CONTINO, I'M A DENTIST RIGHT IN THAT
19 BLOCK. WE MENTIONED A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE FINANCIAL
20 INVESTMENT THAT OWNERS OF DAYS INN HAD INVESTED THERE. I KNOW
21 FOR A FACT IN OUR OFFICE, WHEN WE TRANSFERRED FROM PASADENA
22 OVER TO THERE, I INVESTED OVER \$250,000. SUBSEQUENTLY, DR.
23 BEEMAN IS ON THE NOTE FOR OVER \$650,000, SO WHEN WE LOOK AT
24 THE 700 OR \$800,000 THAT DAYS INN DID, WE DO THE SAME KIND OF
25 THING AT THE DENTAL OFFICE. WE ALSO HAVE EIGHT EMPLOYEES ON



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1 OUR PAYROLL. WE DO GENERATE REVENUE FOR THE CITY AND THE
2 STATE. I THINK THE POLICING OF THE FIRST RESOLUTION THAT YOU
3 MADE, MR. ANTONOVICH, IS GOING TO BE VERY DIFFICULT, AND WE'VE
4 SEEN THAT IN THE PAST. THAT'S WHY I MENTIONED THE FIRST TIME.
5 THE PROBLEM CAN GO AWAY FOR A LITTLE BIT BUT IT WILL COME
6 BACK, AND IT ALWAYS HAS COME BACK FOR THE LAST 30 YEARS. I
7 DON'T THINK WE NEED THAT TO CONTINUE IN THIS NEIGHBORHOOD
8 UNLESS YOU CAN ABSOLUTELY SIT THERE, LOOK ME IN THE FACE AND
9 SAY THE POLICING WILL BE HONEST, IT WILL BE STRAIGHTFORWARD
10 AND IT WILL NOT FALTER, AND THAT'S A BIG RESPONSIBILITY TO THE
11 COMMUNITY THAT YOU ARE NOW ASKING US TO ACCEPT ON YOUR OWN
12 BEHALF. I THINK THE LUCKY STAR IS NOT A GOOD MOTEL THERE. IT
13 DOES NOT FIT THE COMMUNITY, HAS NO POTENTIAL FOR REVIVAL LIKE
14 MAYBE THE DAYS INN HAD. EL RANCHO ABSOLUTELY DOES NOT EITHER.
15 SO I THINK YOUR DECISION TO LET THE DAYS INN, IF YOU CAN
16 REALLY HONESTLY AS MY REPRESENTATIVE LET ME KNOW YOU'RE NOT
17 GOING TO FAIL ME, I WILL NOT ABIDE BY THAT, BUT DO NOT LET THE
18 LUCKY STAR AND PLEASE DO NOT LET THE EL RANCHO MAINTAIN. THANK
19 YOU.

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21 **HOURLY TATLIAN:** MY NAME IS HOURLY TATLIAN. I LIVE AT 34 NORTH
22 QUIGLEY. I'VE BEEN LIVING FOR 17 YEARS. THE HISTORY IS
23 REPEATING ITSELF. I'VE BEEN SEEING ALL THESE YEARS THE SAME
24 STORY OVER AND OVER. IT SAYS, EVERYTHING IS FINE, ONE WEEK,
25 SECOND WEEK, THIRD WEEK, AND THEN IT'S COMING BACK, IT'S



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1 COMING BACK ALL OVER AGAIN. IF YOU GUYS GIVE THE PERMIT TO
2 THESE PEOPLE TO OPERATE AS A MOTEL, THE SOLUTION IS NOT GOING
3 TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM. IT KEEPS COMING BACK AND KEEPS COMING
4 BACK. I HAVE THE HISTORY OF 17 YEARS. PLEASE, DON'T GIVE A
5 PERMIT FOR THIS HOTEL, RANCHO HOTEL AND LUCKY HOTEL AND DAYS
6 INN HOTEL I BEG YOU GUYS, BECAUSE I'VE BEEN LIVING, I'VE BEEN
7 GETTING UP FROM EARLY IN THE MORNING, AT 5:30, 6:00, SO I CAN
8 GET THE CONDOMS FROM THE STREET SO MY KIDS DON'T SEE. WE'RE
9 LIVING IN FEAR IN THIS NEIGHBORHOOD. THIS IS NOT OKAY. THESE
10 PEOPLE ARE LIVING IN THESE HOTELS AND AT NIGHT, AFTER 2:00,
11 1:00, IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT, THEY COME AND STAY WITH THE
12 POLICE THAT ARE NEXT TO MY DOOR. I'M IN THE MIDDLE OF
13 EVERYTHING. I SEE EVERYTHING, ALL THE THINGS THAT ARE
14 HAPPENING, AND THE POLICE HAS MY RECORDS FOR EVERYTHING. THEN
15 THE LAST THING THAT WE DON'T WANT ANY OPERATION GOING ON ON
16 THE COLORADO AND QUIGLEY. I'M SICK AND TIRED OF CALLING THE
17 POLICE OFFICER TO MAKE THEM COME AND SEE WHAT'S GOING ON. MAKE
18 OUR COMMUNITY AS YOUR COMMUNITY AND MAKE THE RIGHT DECISION.
19 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I'M GOING TO ASK STEVEN
22 PROCTOR, ANITA REINSMA AND MELISSA CABRAL TO JOIN US PLEASE.
23 LEROY?

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1 **LEROY WELCH:** GOOD MORNING AGAIN. MY NAME IS LEROY WELCH. I
2 LIVE IN THE EAST PASADENA AREA FOR 24 YEARS. I DON'T REALLY
3 WANT TO BORE YOU WITH THE SAME ITEMS OVER AND OVER AGAIN
4 BECAUSE I'M BEGINNING TO BORE MYSELF BY CONTINUING TO TALK
5 ABOUT THESE ISSUES. I HEARD THE PEOPLE IN THE PREVIOUS--
6 PROPOSERS FOR THE PREVIOUS HOTEL SAY THAT WE NEED TO WORK
7 TOGETHER, BUT WE HAVEN'T BEEN INCLUDED IN ANYTHING
8 AFOREMENTIONED ABOUT ANY COMMUNITY ACTION. THAT WAS A SHOCK TO
9 ME. I'VE NEVER HEARD ANYTHING. I'VE CALLED THE SUPERVISOR'S
10 OFFICES AND I WAS REFERRED TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT BECAUSE
11 THEY SAID THEY COULD DO NOTHING FOR ME, SO THERE'S BEEN
12 REPORTS GIVEN BY POLICE DEPARTMENTS IN PASADENA, ARCADIA,
13 SURROUNDING AREAS WHICH THE ACTIVITIES IN OUR AREA OVERFLOW TO
14 THAT A LOT OF BAD THINGS ARE CONTINUING TO HAPPEN. THEY SAID,
15 WORK TOGETHER. SO I TRIED IT. LAST YEAR, I HAD PLUMBING
16 PROBLEMS, SO I SAID, I'M GOING TO GIVE THESE GUYS A CHANCE.
17 I'M GOING TO GO DOWN TO THE DAYS INN. I NEED BATHROOM
18 FACILITIES. SO I WALK THERE, I TOLD THE GUY, "I LIVE TWO
19 BLOCKS AWAY, I'M HAVING PLUMBING PROBLEMS. I'D LIKE A ROOM FOR
20 A NIGHT OR TWO UNTIL THE PROBLEM IS FIXED." HE ASKED ME WHAT
21 TYPE OF ROOM DID I WANT. WELL, I THINK ALL YOUR ROOMS ARE THE
22 SAME. WELL, WHAT TYPE OF ROOM DO YOU WANT? I SAID JUST A ROOM,
23 AS LONG AS IT HAS A BATHROOM. "OH, WELL, UH, I DON'T HAVE A
24 ROOM." SO I'M WONDERING, WHAT DID HE WANT ME TO SAY? DID HE
25 WANT ME TO SAY I WANT THIS ROOM HOURLY? SO I DON'T REALLY



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1 TRUST, YOU KNOW, THE STATEMENTS THAT, YOU KNOW, EVERYTHING IS
2 CLEANED UP BECAUSE WE STILL SEE THE SAME ACTIVITIES. THANK
3 YOU.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. DIANE WICHERN. OKAY. NEXT.

6

7 **STEVEN PROCTOR:** OH, ME?

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU. DOESN'T MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE.

10

11 **STEVEN PROCTOR:** I'M STEVE PROCTOR, I WILL HAVE A COUPLE BLOCKS
12 SOUTH FROM THIS COLORADO MESS. YOU LET US DOWN. LOW BUDGET
13 MOTELS WILL NEVER CHANGE THE CLIMATE, WHETHER IT HAS A DAYS
14 INN, BOTTOM OF THE BARREL LOGO ON IT OR NOT THE CLIMATE WILL
15 NOT CHANGE. WE GOT THE SHOW AFTER THE DAYS INN SIGN WAS
16 ERECTED. VERY DISAPPOINTED. I GUESS WE'RE DONE WITH THE
17 LEGISLATIVE BRANCH AND WE'RE GOING TO SEEK WHATEVER WE CAN
18 THROUGH THE JUDICIAL BRANCH. THE LUCKY STAR SPEAKS FOR ITSELF.
19 IT'S A CESSPOOL. YOU SEE THE PICTURES. YOU SAW THE PICTURES OF
20 THE DAYS INN. THERE'S OBVIOUSLY POLITICS GOING ON HERE AND I'M
21 VERY DISAPPOINTED THAT YOU DIDN'T LISTEN TO THE NEIGHBORS. WE
22 JUST CANNOT AFFORD. I'VE TAKEN FIVE DAYS OFF FROM WORK FOR--
23 THIS IS THE SIXTH DAY NOW, TWICE WE STILL-- TWICE, REX AND I,
24 WE RENTED A TOUR BUS, FILLED IT WITH NEIGHBORS THAT ALL
25 TESTIFIED, MANY OF WHICH WERE IN TEARS, BECAUSE WE WANT TO



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1 CHANGE THE ENTIRE CLIMATE OF COLORADO. WE DO NOT USE THESE
2 BUSINESSES. WHEN THAT WAS ROUTE 66, THESE LOW BUDGET MOTELS
3 MAY HAVE HAD A PURPOSE. IT'S NO LONGER THE CASE. THEY DO NOT
4 SERVE OUR IMMEDIATE COMMUNITY. THIS IS NOT A DESTINATION AREA
5 LIKE CENTRAL PASADENA. IT'S MANY, MANY, MANY MILES EAST, AND
6 ONCE AGAIN, YOU SEE THE PICTURES. WE HAVE TRUCKERS AND
7 EVERYTHING ELSE. NOTHING AGAINST TRUCKERS, BUT WE DON'T WANT
8 THAT-- WE DON'T WANT SEMIS PARKED IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD THAT WE
9 PAY A LOT OF MONEY FOR AND PAY A LOT OF TAXES AND PAY A LOT OF
10 MONEY TO KEEP UP AND TRY TO CREATE A SENSE OF COMMUNITY AND
11 TRY TO ENCOURAGE BUSINESSES THAT WILL BE COMMUNITY-FRIENDLY.
12 THEY'RE NOT. YOU'VE SEALED IT. WE'RE NOT GOING TO ATTRACT NEW
13 BUSINESSES. SO THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR NOT LISTENING.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. DUSTIN DINSMORE AND ANDREW LEFF
16 AND DIANA CHANG.

17

18 **ANITA REINSMA:** OKAY. ANITA REINSMA AGAIN, 45 YEARS IN THE AREA
19 ON MOHAWK STREET. I'M JUST GOING TO BRING TO YOUR ATTENTION
20 THINGS THAT ARE PUBLIC RECORD ON THE LUCKY STAR MOTEL. IT HAS
21 A HISTORY OF HOUSING REGISTERED SEX OFFENDERS FROM THE
22 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT'S PUBLIC RECORD. IT HAS BEEN THERE MANY,
23 MANY TIMES OVER THE LAST DECADES FOR ARRESTING, FOR
24 PROSTITUTION AND FOR DRUGS. THE OTHER INCIDENT THAT WE HAD WAS
25 ON PUBLIC RECORD, THE LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S MOUNTED PATROL,



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1 THIS WAS LAST YEAR, MARCHED COLORADO BOULEVARD AS A SHOW OF
2 FORCE TO THE SEX OFFENDERS, PROSTITUTES AND DRUG DEALERS. THIS
3 WAS ON THE NEWS. THE OTHER PROBLEM THAT WE HAVE WITH THE LUCKY
4 STAR IS THAT THE LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAS
5 RECOMMENDED THAT THE LUCKY STAR BE SHUT DOWN, AND I THINK THAT
6 THE LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAS BETTER WAYS TO SPEND
7 MONEY THAN TO BE CONSTANTLY GOING UP TO THE LUCKY STAR AND
8 INVESTIGATING THE PROBLEMS THAT THEY HAVE THERE WITH DRUGS AND
9 PROSTITUTION. THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY. THEY SHOULDN'T BE
10 THERE.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. GO AHEAD.

13

14 **ANDREW LEFF:** MY NAME IS AN GREW LEFF, I'M HERE REPRESENTING
15 THE LUCKY STAR. THE LUCKY STAR AND OWNER, DIANA CHANG, THEY'VE
16 OPERATED THE BUSINESS FOR OVER SEVEN YEARS AND MISS CHANG AND
17 LUCKY STAR DON'T CONDONE CRIMINAL ACTIVITY. THEY DON'T WANT
18 ANY CRIMINAL ACTIVITY, DRUGS, PROSTITUTION, SEX OFFENDERS. AT
19 ONE POINT THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA CONTACTED THE OWNER AND
20 WANTED TO PLACE PEOPLE THERE AND MS. CHANG BELIEVED THAT SHE
21 HAD NO CHOICE IN THE MATTER WHEN THE STATE IS URGING HER TO DO
22 THAT. WHEN THE OPPOSITION WAS MADE CLEAR TO HER, SHE TOOK IT
23 UPON HERSELF TO REMOVE THOSE PEOPLE. IT WASN'T THE COMMUNITY
24 PEOPLE THAT ARE OUTRAGED, IT WAS MISS CHANG HERSELF WHO HAD
25 THOSE PEOPLE REMOVED. THE MEGAN'S LAW WEBSITE, PEOPLE THAT



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1 MADE COMMENTS UPON IT, THIS BOARD SHOULD DEAL WITH FACTS, NOT
2 WITH WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING IS IN THE WEBSITE. THE WEB SITE
3 CAN BE LOOKED AT CURRENTLY. THERE'S ONE PERSON LISTED, AS
4 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH SAID, THOSE THINGS, IF YOU FLEE AND YOU
5 DON'T PUT IN A CHANGE OF WEB SITE, IT STILL SHOWS UP. THAT'S
6 WHY THE WEBSITE SAYS, QUOTE, "THE REGISTRANT MAY HAVE
7 SUBSEQUENTLY RELOCATED." THERE ARE NO SEX OFFENDERS AT THE
8 LUCKY STAR. THAT'S A FACT. THERE HAVEN'T BEEN FOR OVER A YEAR
9 OR MORE. MY CLIENT IS A LAWFUL, ABIDING OWNER OF A BUSINESS.
10 IF ONE OPERATES A LAWFUL BUSINESS, YOU SHOULDN'T TAKE RIGHTS
11 AWAY FROM THEM IF THEY ARE SIMPLY OPERATING THAT BUSINESS, IF
12 THEY'RE OPPOSING CRIMINAL ACTIVITY, WHICH SHE'S DONE, IF SHE
13 REMOVES THE SEX OFFENDERS, IF SHE SPENDS MONEY TO UPGRADE HER
14 HOTEL OR MOTEL. THE SIZE OF THE MOTEL SHOULDN'T MATTER. SHE
15 HAS 13 UNITS. THIS ISN'T AS BIG AS THE DAYS INN, ABOUT THE
16 FACT IS SHE ABIDES BY THE LAWS OF THIS STATE, SHE DOESN'T WANT
17 SEX OFFENDERS, SHE WILL WORK WITH THE COMMUNITY, SHE SUPPORTS
18 A COMMUNITY DISTRICT IN HER AREA AND SHE WILL SUPPORT ANY
19 REASONABLE RESTRICTIONS, BUT THE FACT IS THAT SHE DOES ABIDE
20 BY CALIFORNIA LAW AND SHE HAS AND WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO. SHE
21 WON'T ALLOW SEX OFFENDERS

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. YOUR TIME IS UP.

24

25 **ANDREW LEFF:** AND DOESN'T ALLOW PROSTITUTES.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DIANA CHANG.

3

4 **DIANA CHANG:** MY NAME IS DIANA CHANG, I AM LUCKY STAR MOTEL
5 OWNER. I TAKE A VERY, VERY GOOD CARE OF THE PROPERTY. I
6 MAINTAIN THE PROPERTY, I CHECK IN GOOD PEOPLE ONLY. I DON'T
7 HAVE BAD PEOPLE STAY THERE. I NO PROSTITUTION, NO SEX
8 OFFENDERS STAY THERE. I TAKE A VERY, VERY GOOD CARE OF THE
9 PROPERTY.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH,
12 THE ITEM IS BEFORE US, PLEASE.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FIRST, I WOULD LIKE SOMEBODY FROM THE
15 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO COME UP AS WELL, BUT LET ME ASK--

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CAN SOMEONE FROM THE SHERIFF'S
18 DEPARTMENT COME UP? THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** COUNTY COUNSEL, COULD YOU ADDRESS THE
21 ORDINANCE THAT'S BEEN INITIATED, PASSED AND IS NOW OPERATIONAL
22 IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, HOW IT OPERATES AND WHAT IT
23 DOES?

24



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1 **LARRY HAFETZ, COUNSEL:** SURE, SUPERVISOR. EARLIER THIS YEAR,
2 YOUR BOARD ADOPTED AN ORDINANCE DEALING WITH RESIDENTIAL
3 RESTRICTIONS ON REGISTERED SEX OFFENDERS, AND THERE ARE A
4 COUPLE OF PROVISIONS OF THAT ORDINANCE THAT WOULD APPLY TO
5 FACILITIES LIKE WE'RE HEARING TODAY, THESE MOTELS. THE FIRST
6 ONE IS THAT IT'S OUR ORDINANCE PROHIBITS MORE THAN ONE SEX
7 OFFENDER IN ANY PARTICULAR HOTEL ROOM AND IT PROHIBITS MORE
8 THAN ONE SEX OFFENDER AND ANY ENTIRE MOTEL, SO THERE IS THAT
9 RESTRICTION. THERE IS ALSO A RESTRICTION THAT A REGISTERED SEX
10 OFFENDER CAN'T LIVE NEAR ANY SENSITIVE USES LIKE SCHOOL, PARK,
11 DAYCARE CENTER, SO THERE'S THAT RESTRICTION AS WELL. THE THIRD
12 THING IS THAT THE ORDINANCE IMPOSES A BURDEN ON THE OWNERS
13 THAT THEY ARE NOT ALLOWED TO KNOWINGLY VIOLATE THE ORDINANCE
14 AND RENT TO MORE THAN ONE SEX OFFENDER IN A MOTEL.

15
16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. THANK YOU. LET ME ASK REGIONAL
17 PLANNING, OTHER THAN THE APPLICANT AND THE ATTORNEY, WERE
18 THERE ANY OTHER TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF THIS PROJECT AT THE
19 REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION?

20
21 **MI KIM:** NO, THERE WAS NOT.

22
23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WAS THE COMMISSION'S VOTE, WHEN THEY VOTED,
24 WAS THAT-- WHAT WAS THE BREAKDOWN IN THE VOTE?



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1 **MI KIM:** IT WAS 5-0, UNANIMOUS AGREEMENT TO DENY THE PERMIT.

2

3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND HOW MANY PARKING SPACES ARE REQUIRED
4 UNDER THE COUNTY'S ZONING ORDINANCE?

5

6 **MI KIM:** WITH THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, 14.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** 14? AND HOW MANY PARKING SPACES ARE-- DOES
9 THIS APPLICANT HAVE?

10

11 **MI KIM:** 7 IS PROVIDED. THAT'S ALL.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THE REQUIREMENT IS 14 AND THIS SITE HAS 7?
14 DOES THE MOTEL MEET CURRENT REQUIREMENTS FOR SET-BACKS?

15

16 **MI KIM:** NO, IT DOES NOT. THE MINIMUM SET-BACK REQUIREMENT IS
17 FIVE FEET. IT HAS ZERO.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW WOULD YOU DESCRIBE THE APPEARANCE OF THE
20 MOTEL?

21

22 **MI KIM:** THE MOTEL WAS BUILT IN 1947. WHEN I VISITED THE SITE,
23 THERE WAS NO EVIDENCE THAT THERE WAS ANY RENOVATIONS DONE TO
24 THE PROPERTY. HOWEVER, SINCE THE APPLICANT HAS INFORMED ME
25 THAT SHE HAS REPAVED THE PARKING AREA.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND DO YOU HAVE A COPY OF THE SEPTEMBER 18TH
3 MEMORANDUM FROM THE TREASURER TAX COLLECTOR, RELATIVE TO THE
4 AUDIT OF THE APPLICANT'S TRANSIT OCCUPANCY TAXES?

5

6 **MI KIM:** YES.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND ARE THOSE CURRENT?

9

10 **MI KIM:** THE APPLICANT IS DELINQUENT \$14,320.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO HOW MUCH ARE THEY DELINQUENT?

13

14 **MI KIM:** 14,320.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** QUESTION FOR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, RELATIVE
17 TO THE ISSUE OF PARKING IN THE 18-WHEELER, THE BIG TRUCKS, CAN
18 COUNTY ORDINANCE PROHIBIT SUCH PARKING ON THESE STREETS?

19

20 **CAPTAIN ROGNER:** I'M NOT FAMILIAR WITH THOSE STREETS.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I UNDERSTAND IT DOES PROHIBIT THAT. COULD YOU
23 ENSURE THAT THE LOCAL STATION THAT PATROLS THAT AREA WOULD
24 TAKE NOTE THAT THERE IS-- THERE'S BEEN A VIOLATION AND
25 ALTHOUGH THE RESIDENTS MAY NOT HAVE CALLED THE DEPARTMENT AT



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1 TIMES, IF THEY WOULD DO PATROLS TO ENFORCE THAT ORDINANCE OF
2 THE COUNTY.

3

4 **CAPTAIN ROGNER:** I COULD SEE THAT WE GET SOME ENFORCEMENT UP IN
5 THAT AREA.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, AS WELL AS THE OTHER
8 ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES. YOU HEARD THEM AND YOU CAN MAKE THAT
9 REPORT.

10

11 **CAPTAIN ROGNER:** YES. I'VE BEEN LISTENING. I'LL SEE THAT ACTION
12 IS TAKEN.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. AS NOTED FROM THE REPORT FROM THE
15 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT THAT WE HAVE RECEIVED, IT'S GIVEN TO US
16 RIGHT NOW BY THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE DEPARTMENT, LUCKY
17 STAR HAS A LONG RECORD OF NUISANCE AND HAVEN FOR CRIMINAL
18 ACTIVITY IN THE EAST PASADENA AREA. MUCH OF THE PROBLEM CAN BE
19 ATTRIBUTED TO THE LAX ATTITUDE OF THE OWNER MANAGER OF THIS
20 LOCATION, RENTING ROOMS BY THE HOUR, RENTING ROOMS WITHOUT
21 REQUIRING IDENTIFICATION AND THE GENERAL RUNDOWN APPEARANCE
22 HAVE ALL CONTRIBUTED TO A SEEDY ATMOSPHERE OF. AS NOTED FROM
23 THE CITY OF ARCADIA, "THE LUCKY STAR MOTEL IS ALMOST
24 IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT TO OUR JURISDICTIONAL BOUNDARIES AT
25 MITCHELLINA AND COLORADO BOULEVARD. ARCADIA P.D. HAS MADE



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1 ARRESTS FROM THE MOTEL OF ROBBERY-SEXUAL ASSAULT SUSPECT,
2 PROSTITUTION, DRUGS, WARRANTS, PROSTITUTES, CONTACTED BY
3 ARCADIA P.D. IN THE COCO'S PARKING LOT
4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DOES STAFF HAVE MOTIONS TO HAND OUT?
6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT'S NOT A MOTION. I'M READING. RESIDENTIAL
8 STREETS TO THE EAST ALSO CAME FROM THE MOTEL. THE VICE MAYOR
9 AND COUNCILMAN FROM THE CITY OF PASADENA, WHOSE COUNCIL
10 DISTRICT IS NEAREST TO THIS HOTEL OPPOSE ALSO THE PROJECT
11 BECAUSE OF THE NEGATIVE IMPACTS TO THE CITY OF PASADENA IN THE
12 FORM OF CRIMES AND DRUG SALES, PROSTITUTION AND STAFF HAS
13 RECEIVED MORE THAN 20 COMMENTS IN OPPOSITION. MANY HAVE
14 WRITTEN EMAIL OR CALLED OUR OFFICE AS WELL. SO I WOULD LIKE TO
15 MOVE THAT BASED UPON THE EVIDENCE OR RECORD, THE SUBJECT MOTEL
16 HAS CONTRIBUTED TO THE MANY SOCIAL PROBLEMS IMPACTING EAST
17 COLORADO BOULEVARD, NEIGHBORING RESIDENTS, BUSINESS OWNERS,
18 LAW ENFORCEMENT, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITIES OF ARCADIA AND
19 PASADENA AND TESTIFIED IN OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSED C.U.P.
20 AFTER CONDUCTING TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS, THE REGIONAL PLANNING
21 COMMISSION VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO DENY THE SUBJECT CONDITIONAL
22 USE PERMIT APPLICATION, SO I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD
23 CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING INDICATING ITS INTENT TO DENY THE
24 C.U.P. PERMIT NUMBER 2006-000095-5 DIRECTING COUNTY COUNSEL TO



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1 PREPARE FINDINGS FOR DENIAL AND BRING BACK TO FUTURE BOARD
2 MEETING FOR VOTE. SO MOVED.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. CHAIR WILL SECOND FOR DENIAL.
5 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE ARE NOW ON ITEM NUMBER 6. THIS IS THE DE
10 NOVO HEARING ON PROJECT NUMBER R-2006-00384-5, CONDITIONAL USE
11 PERMIT CASE NUMBER 2006-000029-5 AND CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION
12 LOCATED AT 8714 EAST AVENUE T AT AN EXISTING MARKET IN THE C-3
13 UNLIMITED COMMERCIAL ZONE WITHIN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY
14 OF ANTELOPE VALLEY, LITTLE ROCK ZONED DISTRICT APPLIED FOR BY
15 JAVIAR ARAIZA. THERE IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT AND WRITTEN
16 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** IS THERE ON ORAL REPORT?

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES.

21

22 **TYLER MONTGOMERY:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS TYLER
23 MONTGOMERY, I'M WITH ZONING PERMITS OF DEPARTMENTS OF REGIONAL
24 PLANNING. THIS ITEM IS A DE NOVO HEARING ON CONDITIONAL USE
25 PERMIT CASE NUMBER 2006-00029 IN THE FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL



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1 DISTRICT. THIS IS APPEAL OF REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION'S
2 APPROVAL ISSUED ON NOVEMBER 5TH, 2008. THE APPLICANT, JAVIAR
3 ARAIZA, IS REQUESTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO AUTHORIZE
4 THE SALE OF REFRIGERATED BEER AND WINE FOR OFF-SITE
5 CONSUMPTION AT AN EXISTING MARKET. THE FACILITY, CARNECERIA EL
6 NOVIO MARKET IS LOCATED AT 8714 EAST AVENUE T WITHIN THE C-3
7 UNLIMITED COMMERCIAL ZONE IN THE LITTLE ROCK ZONED DISTRICT OF
8 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THE APPLICANT IS CURRENTLY SELLING BEER
9 AND WINE FOR OFF-SITE CONSUMPTION, WHICH IS ALLOWED UNDER THE
10 ENTITLEMENT OF CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT GRANTED IN 2002 BY THE
11 BOARD. THE GRANT ALLOWS FOR THE SALE OF NON REFRIGERATED BEER
12 AND WINE ONLY. THE SUBJECT MARKET IS LOCATED WITHIN AN
13 EXISTING SHOPPING CENTER CONTAINING VARIOUS COMMERCIAL USES, A
14 TAVERN AND A RESTAURANT. CURRENTLY TWO OTHER BUSINESSES WITHIN
15 500 FEET OF THE PROJECT HAVE LICENSES TO SELL ALCOHOLIC
16 BEVERAGES. JOSHUA LIQUOR HAS LICENSED TO SELL A FULL LINE OF
17 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR OFF-SITE CONSUMPTION WHILE J.J.'S
18 TAVERN HAS A LICENSE TO SELL A FULL LINE OF ALCOHOL FOR ON-
19 SITE CONSUMPTION. BECAUSE OF THESE NEARBY LICENSES, THE
20 APPLICANT IS RESTRICTED TO UTILIZING NO MORE THAN 5 PERCENT OF
21 SHELF SPACE FOR THE DISPLAY OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES. IN
22 ADDITION, PUBLIC CONVENIENCE OR NECESSITY MUST BE MADE FOR THE
23 SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES TO BE EXPANDED. DURING ITS
24 DISCUSSION OF THE PROJECT, THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
25 INDICATED THE PUBLIC CONVENIENCE WOULD BE INCREASED BY THE



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1 PROJECT AS RESIDENTS WOULD BE ABLE TO PURCHASE COLD BEER AND
2 WINE WHILE SHOPPING FOR GROCERIES INSTEAD OF MAKING A SEPARATE
3 TRIP. THE BOARD'S DRAFT FINDINGS FOR THIS ITEM SHOULD INCLUDE
4 A FINDING OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE OR NECESSITY. PROJECT IS
5 LOCATED WITHIN A HIGH CRIME REPORTING DISTRICT. DESPITE THIS,
6 THE LOCAL SHERIFF'S STATION HAS INDICATED THAT IT DOES NOT
7 OPPOSE THE PROJECT. THE LITTLE ROCK TOWN COUNCIL HAS INDICATED
8 ITS SUPPORT OF THE PROJECT AS WELL. STAFF BELIEVES THAT THE
9 VERY LIMITED SCOPE OF THE PROJECT, REFRIGERATING BEER AND
10 WINE, WILL NOT CAUSE ANY FURTHER DETRIMENT TO THE HEALTH,
11 PEACE OR GENERAL WELFARE OF THE AREA. DUE TO THIS AND COMBINED
12 WITH THE OTHER REASONS CITED IN THIS ANALYSIS, IT IS STAFF'S
13 RECOMMENDATION TO UPHOLD THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION'S
14 APPROVAL OF THIS PROJECT. THIS CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION.

15
16 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE HAVE TWO SPEAKERS ON THIS
17 ITEM AND WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE WITH THE TWO-MINUTE LIMIT. IF
18 I COULD HAVE ERIKA ARAIZA AND WIL NIEVES TO PLEASE COME
19 FORWARD.

20
21 **WIL NIEVES:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS WIL NIEVES. I'M THE
22 APPLICANT'S REPRESENTATIVE. I'D JUST LIKE TO STATE A COUPLE OF
23 THINGS. FIRST OF ALL, ALL THE OTHER CONDITIONS THAT ARE ON THE
24 PROPERTY ARE GOING TO REMAIN IN PLACE. THE ONLY CHANGE IN THIS
25 APPLICATION IS THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE THE ABILITY TO HAVE



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1 REFRIGERATE BEER AND WINE SALES. THE OTHER CONDITIONS THAT ARE
2 STILL IN PLACE AT CLOSING HOURS WHICH ARE 8 A.M. IN THE
3 MORNING TO 10:00 P.M. AT NIGHT, THERE WILL BE NO ADVERTISING
4 OR DISPLAY IN THE WINDOWS, THAT WE CAN ONLY SELL IN SIX PACK
5 SALES, THAT THERE BE NO ICE DISPLAYS AND THAT THERE WILL BE
6 SHELF SPACE LIMIT TO ONLY 5 PERCENT OF THE AREA. IS THIS
7 LICENSE HAS BEEN IN PLACE SINCE 2005. IT'S BEEN A LONG WAYS TO
8 GET TO THIS POINT. THE APPEAL THAT IS HERE BEFORE YOU IS AN
9 APPEAL BY A COMPETITOR THAT OWNS THE LIQUOR STORE. THERE IS NO
10 ONE ELSE OPPOSED TO THIS PROJECT. THE LIQUOR STORE IS OPEN
11 UNTIL LATE NIGHT HOURS. IT ALSO HAS THE ABILITY TO SELL SINGLE
12 CAN SALES AND ALL OTHER TYPES OF ACCESSORY TYPES OF BEER AND
13 WINE AND HARD LIQUOR. WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO IS CONTINUE WITH
14 THE FAMILY-RUN OPERATION OF A MARKET. WE HAVE LIMITED SALES,
15 WE CLOSE EARLY AND THIS MINOR CHANGE I THINK IS NOT A
16 DETRIMENT TO THE AREA. SO IF YOU COULD PLEASE APPROVE THIS
17 APPLICATION. WE'RE NOT TRYING TO DO ANYTHING WORSE THAN WHAT
18 THE LIQUOR STORE IS DOING. AS A MATTER OF FACT, WE'RE CLOSING
19 EARLY AND WE'RE ONLY HAVING SIX PACKS SOLD, SO I THINK IT'S A
20 VERY GOOD APPLICATION.

21

22 **ERIKA ARAIZA:** MY NAME IS ERIKA ARAIZA AND I AM THE OWNER'S
23 DAUGHTER, AND I'M JUST HERE TO SAY, WE HAVE TRIED VERY HARD TO
24 GET THIS LICENSE. I BELIEVE IT WOULD HELP US A LOT. WE ALWAYS
25 HELP OUT THE COMMUNITY, WE ALWAYS HELP OUT WITH SOCCER TEAMS,



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1 THE HIGH SCHOOL TEAMS AND IT WOULD REALLY HELP US HELP THEM
2 EVEN MORE. WE HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO, OF COURSE, THE ECONOMY IS
3 BAD, AND WE JUST WANT TO MAKE EVERYTHING WORK AND THAT'S ALL I
4 HAVE TO SAY. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** A COUPLE QUESTIONS TO THE REGIONAL PLANNING.
9 THE APPLICANT, DOES HE HAVE A VALID PERMIT TO SELL BEER AND
10 WINE?

11

12 **TYLER MONTGOMERY:** YES.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE APPLICANT IS REQUESTING THAT IT JUST
15 BE REFRIGERATED?

16

17 **TYLER MONTGOMERY:** THAT'S CORRECT.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE SHERIFF HAS ANY OBJECTIONS OR NO
20 OBJECTIONS?

21

22 **TYLER MONTGOMERY:** THE SHERIFF HAS NO OBJECTIONS.

23



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO OBJECTIONS BY THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT,
2 AND WAS THE PROJECT APPROVED BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING HEARING
3 OFFICER?

4

5 **TYLER MONTGOMERY:** YES, IT WAS APPROVED FIRST BY THE HEARING
6 OFFICER AND THEN THE SUBSEQUENT APPEAL BY THE REGIONAL
7 PLANNING COMMISSION.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION VOTE
10 WAS?

11

12 **TYLER MONTGOMERY:** THE VOTE WAS 5-0 IN FAVOR.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SUPPORTED IT. THIS PROJECT IS SUPPORTED BY
15 THE LITTLE ROCK TOWN COUNCIL?

16

17 **TYLER MONTGOMERY:** YES. LITTLE ROCK TOWN COUNCIL HAS ISSUED A
18 LETTER OF SUPPORT.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE ONLY MATTER BEFORE THE BOARD IS WHETHER
21 TO ALLOW THE APPLICANT TO SELL REFRIGERATED BEER AND WINE,
22 WHICH THE APPLICANT HAS BEEN SELLING AS STATED SINCE 2002 AT
23 THIS LOCATION AND THERE HAVE BEEN NO SIGNIFICANT CODE
24 ENFORCEMENT ISSUES ASSOCIATED WITH THE APPLICANT. THEY OPERATE
25 A MINI MARKET AND ONLY A SPACED PORTION OF THE RETAIL SPACE IS



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1 DEVOTED TO THE SALE OF ALCOHOL. CONDITION 18 OF THE REGIONAL
2 PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVAL PROPOSES MORE THAN 20 SEPARATE
3 RESTRICTIONS AND LIMITATIONS REGARDING THE SALE OF ALCOHOL.
4 THIS PROJECT HAS STATED-- IS SUPPORTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL AND
5 THE SHERIFF DOES NOT HAVE ANY OBJECTION AND GIVEN THE
6 DOCUMENTS FILED WITH THE INITIAL APPEAL, IT WOULD APPEAR THAT
7 THE OBJECTION IS BASED ON COMPETITIVE GROUNDS AS OPPOSED TO
8 FUNDAMENTAL ISSUES, SO I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE, MR. CHAIRMAN,
9 THAT THE OWNER OF MINI MARKET AT 8714 EAST AVENUE T IN LITTLE
10 ROCK, WHICH HAS BEEN SELLING UNREFRIGERATED BEER AND WINE
11 SINCE 2002, AT THIS TIME THE APPLICANT IS REQUESTING APPROVAL
12 TO SELL REFRIGERATED BEER AND WINE. THERE HAVE BEEN NO
13 SIGNIFICANT ENFORCEMENT ISSUES, AS I STATED BY THE SHERIFF AND
14 SUPPORTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE REGIONAL
15 PLANNING HEARING OFFICER AND BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING
16 COMMISSION WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE LITTLE ROCK TOWN COUNCIL,
17 I'D MOVE THAT THE BOARD CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING, INDICATE ITS
18 INTENT TO DENY THE APPEAL AND DIRECT COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE
19 FINDINGS AND CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL OF PERMIT TO BRING BACK
20 TO THE FUTURE BOARD.

21
22 **TYLER MONTGOMERY:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

23
24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTIONS. ANY FURTHER
25 QUESTIONS? COUNTY COUNSEL? ANYBODY? SO ORDERED. THANK YOU.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE NOW ON ITEM NUMBER 7. THIS IS THE
3 HEARING ON AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNTY CODE, TITLE 10, ANIMALS,
4 TO ADD AND DELETE DEFINITIONS RELATING TO ANIMAL FACILITIES,
5 KENNELS AND THE BREEDING AND BOARDING OF ANIMALS, ADD A FIELD
6 ENFORCEMENT FEE FOR ANIMAL LICENSING, MODIFIED DELINQUENCY
7 CHARGES AND PROVIDE CLARIFICATION FOR EXISTING POLICIES. THERE
8 IS NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE HAVE THE ITEM BEFORE US. WE DO
11 HAVE ONE SPEAKER FROM THE PUBLIC. I'M GOING TO ASK CATHIE
12 TURNER IF SHE'D JOIN US, PLEASE.

13

14 **CATHIE TURNER:** HELLO. MY NAME IS CATHIE TURNER, I'M THE
15 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR CONCERNED DOG OWNERS OF CALIFORNIA. WE
16 REPRESENT QUITE A FEW MEMBERS IN THE UNINCORPORATED PARTS OF
17 THE COUNTY AND I'M HERE PARTICULARLY TO TALK ABOUT THE SECTION
18 OF THE PROPOSED CHANGE WHICH WOULD CREATE A NEW CATEGORY OF
19 HOBBY BREEDER. THOSE HOBBY BREEDERS WOULD HAVE TO GET THE SAME
20 KIND OF LICENSE AND PAY THE SAME AMOUNT THAT A PET STORE, AN
21 ANIMAL MENAGERIE AND A NUMBER OF OTHER AREAS WOULD HAVE TO DO.
22 A HOBBY BREEDER MIGHT HAVE AS MANY AS EIGHT OR NINE DOGS IN A
23 YEAR. MOST HOBBY BREEDERS ARE NOT BREEDING ON A REGULAR BASIS.
24 I ACTUALLY WENT THROUGH OUR MEMBERSHIP AND LOOKED TO SEE WHAT
25 PEOPLE HAVE BEEN DOING AND IT'S MORE COMMON THAT SOMEONE MIGHT



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1 HAVE A LITTER OF PUPPIES AND THEN MAYBE FOR OUR FIVE YEARS
2 LATER THEY'D HAVE A LITTER OF PUPPIES. I THINK TO CHARGE THESE
3 PEOPLE AS IF THEY WERE A PET STORE IS TOTALLY INAPPROPRIATE.
4 RIGHT NOW, THOSE PEOPLE, IF THEY WANT TO HAVE A LITTER OF
5 PUPPIES, MUST GET A BREEDER'S PERMIT, IT COSTS \$125, AND THAT
6 WOULD SEEM TO BE AN APPROPRIATE WAY TO DO THIS. ALSO, IF YOU
7 LOOK AT THE ORDINANCE RELATING TO HOBBY BREEDERS, IT'S NOT
8 CLEAR WHETHER YOU'RE ALSO ASKING THAT HOBBY BREEDERS TO NOW
9 PAY FOR AN INSPECTION OF THEIR HOME. THAT NEEDS TO BE
10 CLARIFIED, SO AS WE SAID IN THE LETTER OUR ORGANIZATION SENT
11 TO YOU, WE WOULD ASK YOU TO REMOVE THE REMOVE THE SECTION ON
12 HOBBY BREEDERS WITH THE PERMIT COSTING \$125 OR DO WHAT THE
13 ZONING PEOPLE DO. LET'S HAVE SOME PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THIS AND
14 LET'S GET SOME INPUT FROM THE STAKEHOLDERS SO THAT WHEN YOU
15 MAKE A DECISION ON THIS, YOU CAN MAKE A GOOD DECISION. THANK
16 YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MARCIA, COULD YOU RESPOND,
19 PLEASE?

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21 **MARCIA MAYEDA:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. THERE HAS NOT BEEN A
22 CHANGE IN THE REQUIREMENTS FOR HOBBY BREEDERS. THERE WAS SOME
23 REALIGNMENT OF ITEMS BECAUSE OF THE CHANGES OF LANGUAGE IN THE
24 ORDINANCE AND THAT MAY HAVE LED TO SOME CONFUSION, BUT THERE'S
25 ALWAYS BEEN A REQUIREMENT FOR HOBBY BREEDER WITH THAT FEE.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT ABOUT THE ISSUE OF THE INSPECTIONS
3 THAT WAS RAISED?

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5 **MARCIA MAYEDA:** THAT'S BEEN A COMMON PRACTICE AND THIS HAS BEEN
6 ON THE BOOKS FOR AT LEAST 10 YEARS OR LONGER.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MIKE?

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** COULD YOU ELABORATE RELATIVE TO THE IMPACT
11 THESE FEES WOULD HAVE ON HOBBY BREEDERS?

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13 **MARCIA MAYEDA:** THE FEES, THERE'S NO CHANGE IN FEES.

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THERE'S NO CHANGE IN FEES, SO IT'S ALL THE
16 SAME.

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18 **MARCIA MAYEDA:** YES.

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THE PREVIOUS SPEAKER WAS NOT-- DID NOT
21 UNDERSTAND THAT THERE WOULD BE NO CHANGE?

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23 **MARCIA MAYEDA:** I THINK IT WAS \$125 MANY YEARS AGO, BUT IT WAS
24 CHANGED TO 250 SEVERAL YEARS AGO AND THERE'S NO CHANGE TODAY
25 IN THE FEES.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND DID THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER DETERMINE THAT
3 THE FEES ARE IN LINE WITH THE ACTUAL COST OF SERVICES?

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5 **MARCIA MAYEDA:** YES. WE'VE REVIEWED THESE WITH THE AUDITOR-
6 CONTROLLER.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WAS THERE ANY VALUE ADDED AS A RESULT OF THE
9 FEE INCREASES RELATIVE TO REVENUES BEING RECEIVED SUFFICIENT
10 TO IMPROVE ANIMAL CONTROL AND CARE SERVICES?

11

12 **MARCIA MAYEDA:** WE EXPECT THOSE TO GENERATE ADDITIONAL REVENUE
13 FOR THE DEPARTMENT FROM THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS APPROXIMATELY
14 20,000-- UP TO \$20,000 A MONTH IN DELINQUENCY NOTICES AND
15 POSSIBLE UP TO \$100,000 A MONTH IN OUR FIELD ENFORCEMENT FEES
16 FOR THE ANIMAL LICENSING. THAT WOULD HELP OFFSET THE COST OF
17 COUNTY PROVIDING THE SERVICES IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND HOW DID THESE FEES DIFFER FROM LAST
20 MONTH'S ACTIONS?

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22 **MARCIA MAYEDA:** FROM THE ACTUALS?

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT.

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1 **MARCIA MAYEDA:** CURRENTLY THERE IS NO FIELD ENFORCEMENT FEE,
2 THAT'S A NEW FEE. FROM THE DELINQUENCY FEES, WHAT WE HAVE
3 CURRENTLY IS IT'S A 20-DOLLAR SET FEE REGARDLESS OF THE COST
4 OF YOUR LICENSE, SO OUR LICENSES RANGE ANYWHERE FROM \$5 FOR A
5 SPAYED OR NEUTERED CAT UP TO \$60 FOR AN UNALTERED DOG, AND
6 IT'S NOT EQUITABLE STRUCTURE TO PAY 20 ON A 5-DOLLAR LICENSE
7 VERSUS A 60-DOLLAR LICENSE, SO WHAT WE FELT WAS MORE EQUITABLE
8 SO THAT EVERYBODY IS CHARGED COMMENSURATELY.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. OKAY.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVE FOR APPROVAL. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
13 ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. ANY
14 OBJECTION? SO BE THE ORDER.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 9, THIS IS THE HEARING ON
17 INCREASE TO THE MAXIMUM AND MINIMUM TICKET AND PARKING PRICES
18 PROPOSED BY THE LOS ANGELES PHILHARMONIC ASSOCIATION FOR THE
19 2010 HOLLYWOOD BOWL SEASON. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT
20 AND NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY,
23 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE NOW ON HEARING ITEM NUMBER 10. THIS
2 IS THE DE NOVO HEARING ON PROJECT NUMBER 2008-00138-5,
3 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT CASE NUMBER 2008-00014-5 IN CATEGORICAL
4 EXEMPTION LOCATED AT 47904 90TH STREET WEST IN THE COMMUNITY
5 OF ANTELOPE ACRES WITHIN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY WEST ZONED
6 DISTRICT APPLIED FOR BY JAMES MORALES. THERE IS A DEPARTMENT
7 STATEMENT ON THIS AND CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

8

9 **MARK CHILD:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MARK CHILD
10 WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING AND WITH ME IS ANDREW
11 SETEK, WHO WAS THE CASE PLANNER ON THIS PROJECT. AGENDA ITEM
12 NUMBER 10 IS REQUEST FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO AUTHORIZE
13 THE SALE OF BEER AND WINE FOR ONSITE CONSUMPTION AT A PROPOSED
14 NEW RESTAURANT AT 49709 90TH STREET WEST IN ANTELOPE ACRES, TO
15 BE KNOWN AS THE CACTUS INN. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS DESIGNATED
16 COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AREA-WIDE GENERAL
17 PLAN AND IS IN THE C-3 UNLIMITED COMMERCIAL ZONE, PROPERTIES
18 TO THE NORTH AND WEST ARE ALSO ZONED C-3. TO THE EAST IS ZONED
19 A-1, WHICH IS LIKE AGRICULTURE AND TO THE SOUTH IS R-3
20 UNLIMITED MULTIPLE RESIDENCE. THE SURROUNDING LAND USES ARE
21 SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCES TO THE NORTH AND WEST, A COMMUNITY
22 CENTER TO THE EAST AND VACANT LAND TO THE SOUTH. THE REGIONAL
23 PLANNING COMMISSION CONSIDERED THE APPLICATION AT TWO HEARINGS
24 HELD ON FEBRUARY 4TH AND MARCH 4TH, 2008. AT THE HEARING, THE
25 REQUEST WAS OPPOSED BY SEVEN PERSONS WHO TESTIFIED, 16



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1 OPPOSITION LETTERS WERE RECEIVED, WHICH IS INCLUDED COMMENTS
2 FROM THE ANTELOPE ACRES TOWN COUNCIL AND THE COMMUNITY CENTER.
3 THE REQUEST WAS SUPPORTED BY SIX TESTIFIERS, SEVEN SUPPORT
4 LETTERS AND PETITION SIGNED BY 140 PERSONS. BASED ON TESTIMONY
5 AND INFORMATION PROVIDED IN THE STAFF REPORT, THE PLANNING
6 COMMISSION WAS CONCERNED THAT THE APPLICANT WAS INTENDING TO
7 UPGRADE A BAR AND NOT A RESTAURANT. THE COMMISSION CONSIDERED
8 CRIME REPORTS FROM THE PREVIOUS LOCATION AT THE CACTUS INN
9 WHEN THE ESTABLISHMENT WAS LOCATED IN PALMDALE. IT FOUND THAT
10 THE PROPOSAL WAS INCONSISTENT WITH THE COMMUNITY PLAN AS IT
11 WOULD NOT PRIMARILY SERVE THE LOCAL COMMUNITY AND IT WOULD
12 DRAW FROM THE MUCH LARGER AREA. THE COMMISSION FOUND THAT THE
13 APPLICANT HAD FAILED TO SUBSTANTIATE THE BURDEN OF PROOF, THAT
14 THE USE WOULD NOT BE DISRUPTED TO THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY,
15 INCLUDING THE NEIGHBORHOOD COMMUNITY CENTER. THE REQUEST WAS
16 DENIED BY A VOTE OF 4-0. AN APPEAL OF THE COMMISSION'S
17 DECISION WAS FILED BY THE APPLICANT WITHIN THE SPECIFIED
18 APPEAL PERIOD. THIS CONCLUDES STAFF REPORT. THANK YOU.

19
20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** QUESTIONS OF STAFF BEFORE WE CALL-- WE
21 HAVE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE SIGNED UP TO TESTIFY IN REGARDS TO
22 THIS. ANY QUESTIONS OF STAFF? TWO MINUTES. ANGELA MORALES,
23 JAMES MORALES, RUTH LEINART, BRUCE RILEY. IF YOU'D SIT DOWN
24 AND IF YOU WOULD STATE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD AND PROCEED
25 WITH YOUR TESTIMONY, AND WHEN YOU'RE FINISHED, IF YOU'LL TAKE



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1 YOUR SEATS, I'LL CALL UP ADDITIONAL SPEAKERS. THANK YOU. OKAY.
2 WHOEVER WOULD LIKE TO GO FIRST.

3

4 **ANGELA MORALES:** MY NAME IS ANGELA MORALES. I LIVE IN ANTELOPE
5 ACRES FOR 10 YEARS. THERE IS NO ESTABLISHMENT WHERE YOU CAN
6 PURCHASE A HOT MEAL IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. YOU CAN, BUT ONLY
7 BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 3:00 P.M. AND 8:00, AND THAT'S A
8 HAMBURGER IN A BOX AND THAT'S IT, NO PLACE TO EAT IT. YOU HAVE
9 TO EAT IT IN YOUR CAR OR TAKE IT HOME. THERE'S NO PLACE TO
10 MEET WITH YOUR FRIENDS, YOUR FAMILY WHEN THEY COME TO TOWN. WE
11 REALLY NEED SOMETHING OUT IN THAT AREA. AND IT ISN'T A BONA
12 FIDE RESTAURANT. BREAKFAST, LUNCH, DINNER, ONLY WANTING TO
13 STAY OPEN UNTIL 9:00 AT NIGHT DURING THE WEEK. AND IT SERVES
14 BEER AND WINE IF THEY CHOOSE. IT'S NOT A ESTABLISHMENT THAT IS
15 GOING TO BE PUSHING THE ALCOHOL. IT'S FOOD, AND THE PLACE TO
16 COME AND BE WITH YOUR FRIENDS AND ENJOY YOUR MEAL. IT'S HOT
17 AND THEY COOK FOR YOU EVERY NOW AND THEN, AND WE REALLY NEED
18 IT OUT THERE. THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

21

22 **BRUCE RILEY:** MY NAME IS BRUCE RILEY. I LIVE IN LANCASTER,
23 CALIFORNIA. I'VE KNOWN JIM MORALES FOR ABOUT 25 YEARS. HE WAS
24 A WELL-ESTABLISHED BUSINESSMAN UNTIL HIS BUSINESS HAD TO CLOSE
25 DUE TO A LOSS OF LEASE BECAUSE THE OWNER SOLD THE PROPERTY. HE



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1 WANTED TO MOVE HIS BUSINESS OUT AWAY FROM TOWN SO THAT THERE
2 WOULDN'T BE SO MANY PEOPLE AROUND HIM THAT MAY OR MAY NOT BE
3 OF GOOD CHARACTER. HOWEVER, APPARENTLY THOSE PEOPLE THAT LIVE
4 OUT CLOSE TO WHERE HE WANTS TO ESTABLISH HIS BUSINESS THINK
5 THAT ANY BUSINESS THAT SERVES ALCOHOL IS NOT WANTED, AND I
6 THINK THAT DUE TO THE FACT THAT THERE IS NO PLACE OUT THERE
7 THAT A PERSON CAN GO SIT DOWN, HAVE A MEAL, ORDER A BEER, GET
8 A GLASS OF WINE, TALK TO THEIR NEIGHBORS, GO IN FOR COFFEE IN
9 THE MORNING, THIS IS THE BUSINESS THAT NEEDS TO BE
10 ESTABLISHED. THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

13

14 **RUTH LEINART:** MY NAME IS RUTH LEINART. I'VE WORKED FOR JIM
15 MORALES IN THE LAST 10 YEARS. I'VE KNOWN HIM PRIOR TO THAT,
16 OWNING HIS BUSINESS IN PALMDALE. I WANT TO GO TO WORK OUT
17 THERE AND AGAIN HAVE A RESTAURANT THAT CAN SERVE HOME-COOKED
18 FOOD AND HAVE TO BE ABLE TO, LIKE THEY SAID, HAVE BEER AND
19 WINE WITH THEIR FOOD OR IF THEY WANT TO COME IN AND SIT DOWN
20 AND HAVE A DRINK. IT'S VERY WELL NEEDED OUT THERE. THERE'S
21 NOTHING OUT THERE, AND THERE'S NOWHERE TO EAT WHEN IT'S 8:00
22 IN THE EVENING. WE HAVE TO GO ALL THE WAY INTO TOWN. THERE'S
23 JUST NOTHING OPEN OUT IN THAT AREA. AND THAT'S WHAT I WANTED
24 TO SAY.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. I WOULD ASK COLLEEN SCHILLER,
2 PAULA RITTER AND CLARISSA BUTLER TO JOIN US UP HERE, PLEASE.
3 YES, SIR.

4
5 **JAMES MORALES:** YES, SIR. MY NAME IS JAMES MORALES. I WAS A
6 PREVIOUS BUSINESS OWNER AT CACTUS ROAD AT 5022 FORT TEJON
7 ROAD. WHATEVER IS SAID ABOUT A LOT OF CALLS AND EVERYTHING, I
8 NEVER SEEN ONE SHERIFF, AND I WAS THERE FOR 16 YEARS AND I
9 STAYED THERE UNTIL CLOSING TIME, SO THERE WAS NEVER ANY
10 REPORTS WHERE I HAD TO GO TO COURT OR TESTIFY AGAINST
11 ANYTHING. HERE'S MY RESTAURANT LICENSE FROM MY OLD LOCATION.
12 I'VE ALWAYS BEEN A RESTAURANT, AND MY ALCOHOL LICENSE FROM THE
13 OLD LOCATION, WHICH BOTH OF THEM WERE IN GOOD STANDING FOR 16
14 YEARS. AT THE NEW LOCATION, THEY WANTED PICTURES OF THE
15 RESTAURANT EQUIPMENT. THERE'S A STOVE, FRIGIDAIRE, ALL THE
16 KITCHEN STUFF TO DO COOKING AND TO DO BREAKFAST, LUNCH AND
17 DINNER, AND LIKE MAY EMPLOYEES AND FRIENDS THAT KNOW ME, KNOW
18 THAT I'M NOT THAT TYPE OF PERSON BECAUSE I WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN
19 OPEN 16 YEARS IF THERE WAS PROBLEMS AND EVERYTHING THAT WAS
20 STIRRED UP. HOWEVER, I JUST WANT TO GET OPEN IN THIS NEW
21 LOCATION, PUT EMPLOYEES BACK TO WORK, AND I WANT TO GET BACK
22 TO WORK MYSELF. I SPONSORED AT MY OLD LOCATION THINGS FOR
23 KIDS, CHARITY EVENTS, TOYS FOR UNDERPRIVILEGED CHILDREN. I DID
24 ALSO THINGS FOR THE VIETNAM VETS, DISABLED VETS THAT NEEDED
25 HELP, WE DONATED MONEY TO THAT. EVERYBODY THAT KNOWS ME KNOWS



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1 THAT I'M IN GOOD STANDING AND CAN TESTIFY TO THAT, WHICH
2 YOU'VE HEARD THESE PEOPLE SAY. AND THAT'S REALLY ALL I HAVE TO
3 SAY.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. LET'S SEE. I WOULD ASK
6 EMILY THOMPSON TO JOIN US, PLEASE. WHOEVER WOULD LIKE TO
7 PROCEED, GO AHEAD.

8

9 **COLLEEN SCHILLER:** MY NAME IS COLLEEN SCHILLER I'M HERE FROM
10 THE ANTELOPE ACRES TOWN COUNCIL, AND MOST OF US THAT MOVED TO
11 ANTELOPE ACRES DID NOT MOVE THERE FOR THE DINING AND
12 ENTERTAINMENT EXPERIENCE. WE CAME BECAUSE WE WANTED TO LIVE A
13 QUIET, RURAL LIFESTYLE. WE REALIZED WHEN WE CAME THAT THERE
14 WERE LIMITED OPPORTUNITIES TO DINE IN A RESTAURANT AND WE WERE
15 WILLING TO DO THAT WHEN WE CAME. ONE OF THE ITEMS THAT WAS
16 ADDRESSED WAS THE NUMBER OF SIGNATURES COLLECTED. WE HAVE
17 PRESENTED THAT LIST TO THE COUNTY NOW AND I WANTED TO LET YOU
18 KNOW THAT THERE WERE, IN FACT-- WE HAVE PUT IT DOWN TO
19 HOUSEHOLDS. WE ELIMINATED DUPLICATES AND MULTIPLE NAMES AT ONE
20 ADDRESS, AND WHEN IT WAS ALL SAID AND DONE, 86 HOUSEHOLDS
21 OPPOSED THE RESTAURANT VERSUS 33 HOUSEHOLDS THAT WERE IN FAVOR
22 OF THE RESTAURANT, AND THIS EXPRESSES ITSELF IN A RATIO OF
23 2.51 HOUSEHOLDS BEING OPPOSED TO THE OPENING OF CACTUS INN TO
24 EVERY ONE IN FAVOR OF THE CACTUS INN. I WILL MAKE IT BRIEF AND
25 SAY THAT MR. MORALES MAY HAVE SPENT THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS ON



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1 HIS C.U.P., BUT OUR COMMUNITY HAS SPENT HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS
2 OF DOLLARS ON OUR HOMES AND OUR PROPERTIES. MR. MORALES CAN
3 MOVE HIS BUSINESS, BUT WE CANNOT MOVE OUR HOMES. WE DON'T NEED
4 A BAR, WE DON'T NEED A RESTAURANT AND I WOULD JUST ASK YOU TO
5 CONSIDER EVERYTHING THAT WE'VE SUBMITTED TODAY AND PRIOR IN
6 RESPONSE TO THE APPEAL. THANK YOU VERY, VERY MUCH FOR YOUR
7 TIME. WE APPRECIATE IT.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. DON WARD.

10

11 **PAULA RITTER:** I'M PAULA RITTER AND I LIVE RIGHT NEXT DOOR TO
12 THE PROPOSED BAR, AND MY OBJECTION IS THE NOISE, AND I KNOW
13 THERE WILL BE JUST LOTS OF NOISE. SO THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

16

17 **CLARISSA BUTLER:** HI. MY NAME IS CLARISSA BUTLER AND I WAS BORN
18 AND RAISED IN ANTELOPE ACRES. I WAS LITTLE MISS AND JUNIOR
19 MISS ANTELOPE ACRES AND I'M CURRENTLY PRESIDENT OF WEST SIDE
20 4-H, AND I'M VERY INVOLVED WITH MY COMMUNITY. AND I FEEL THE
21 CACTUS INN WOULD NOT BE A GOOD ASSET TO OUR COMMUNITY. A
22 COUPLE YEARS BACK I WATCHED POLICE TAPE OFF THE OLD
23 ESTABLISHMENT FOR A MURDER THAT HAD JUST TAKEN PLACE AND IT
24 WOULD BE A GREAT DISAPPOINTMENT TO SEE A KID WITNESS THE SAME
25 THING THAT I DID. OUR COMMUNITY IS PACKED FULL OF KIDS AND



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1 TEENAGERS AND IT WOULD BE A DISAPPOINTMENT TO LEAVE THE-- TO
2 SEE SOMEBODY LEAVE THE BAR UNDER THE INFLUENCE AND HIT ONE OF
3 THE KIDS WALKING AROUND BECAUSE WE DO WALK AROUND. THIS IS A
4 PLACE THAT WE CAN WALK AROUND IN AND NOT HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT
5 PEOPLE AND WITH THE BAR THERE, WE WOULD HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT
6 THAT AND WORRY ABOUT SOMEBODY HITTING A KID WALKING AROUND,
7 AND THAT WOULD BE A GREAT DISAPPOINTMENT BECAUSE IN ANTELOPE
8 BAKER, EVERYBODY KNOWS EVERYBODY, AND IT WOULD IMPACT
9 EVERYBODY IN THE COMMUNITY, AND CACTUS INN IS ALSO CLOSE TO
10 THE ANTELOPE ACRES COMMUNITY CENTER AND THAT HAS ALWAYS BEEN
11 AN IMPORTANT PLACE FOR OUR LOCAL YOUTH. AND AT THE COMMUNITY
12 CENTER, THE KIDS GO AND PLAY AND ALL THE 4-H MEETINGS ARE HELD
13 THERE SEVERAL TIMES A WEEK, WHICH INCLUDES EVERYTHING FROM 4-H
14 CAMPOUTS TO TAKING OUR ANIMALS DOWN TO WORK AS A GROUP. AND IT
15 WOULD NOT BE A GOOD ENVIRONMENT FOR KIDS TO BE AROUND THE
16 ADULTS DRINKING THERE AND THE LOUD NOISES WILL SCARE THE
17 ANIMALS. SO IT WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED IF YOU CONSIDERED
18 WHAT OUR COMMUNITY WOULD TURN INTO IF THE BAR IS GRANTED A
19 PERMIT. THANK YOU.

20
21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ASK WIL NIEVES TO JOIN US, PLEASE. WIL.

22
23 **EMILY THOMPSON:** HELLO. MY NAME IS EMILY THOMPSON AND I'M THE
24 2009 MISS ANTELOPE ACRES. AS YOU KNOW, THE CACTUS WAS REMOVED
25 FROM THE RESIDENCE IN PALMDALE, CALIFORNIA. THE ANTELOPE ACRES



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1 DOES NOT WISH TO HAVE A BAR IN IT. WE ARE A COMMUNITY NOT
2 OPPOSED TO A FAMILY FRIENDLY RESTAURANT WITH CONTROLLED
3 BUSINESS HOURS AND SERVING ALCOHOL. A STRUCTURED TIME FOR
4 SERVING ALCOHOL WOULD ENSURE A FAMILY FRIENDLY RESTAURANT IN
5 OUR COMMUNITY. MANY CHILDREN'S BUS STOPS WHERE THEY WALK HOME
6 ARE NEARBY. THE ANTELOPE ACRES COMMUNITY CENTER IS A PLACE
7 WHERE WE HAVE MANY EVENTS A WEEK, WHERE CHILDREN ARE PRESENT.
8 A BAR CLOSE TO THIS OR ANY ESTABLISHMENT WHERE CHILDREN ARE
9 CLOSE HAS THE POTENTIAL TO TURN ANY EVENT THERE INTO A
10 POSSIBLY HAZARDOUS SITUATION, WITH THE LIVES OF PEOPLE IN OUR
11 COMMUNITY ARE AT RISK. AS I SAID EARLIER, THE COMMUNITY WOULD
12 WELCOME THE IDEA OF A FAMILY RESTAURANT. WE ARE OPPOSED TO THE
13 PATRONS OF THE CACTUS INN FORMERLY ATTRACTED. IT IS OF GREAT
14 IMPORTANCE THAT EVERYONE REALIZES THE COMMUNITY IS NOT AGAINST
15 THOSE WHO CHOOSE TO DRINK. INSTEAD WE ARE AGAINST THE
16 POTENTIAL THREAT OF LIFE TO THE CHILDREN OF THE ANTELOPE
17 ACRES. THIS COMMUNITY DOES NOT WISH TO HAVE PEOPLE COME OUT TO
18 THE ACRES TO DRINK, THEN HAVING TO DRIVE BACK THROUGH IT TO
19 GET TO THEIR HOMES. IF THIS PROJECT IS APPROVED, WE WILL
20 REQUEST ADDITIONAL TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT AND ROUTINE POLICE TO
21 HELP PROTECT OUR COMMUNITY. IN THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC
22 ADMINISTRATION, IMPAIRED DRIVING IN THE UNITED STATES SAYS
23 EVERY YEAR IN THE U.S., APPROXIMATELY 40 PERCENT OF FATAL
24 TRAFFIC CRASHES INVOLVE ALCOHOL. ESTIMATES SHOW THE SOCIETAL
25 COST OF DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE COME TO \$1 PER DRINK WITH



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1 PEOPLE OTHER THAN THE DRINKING DRIVER PAYING THOSE COSTS.

2 THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

5

6 **DAWN WARD:** MY NAME IS DAWN WARD. I'M THE TREASURER OF THE
7 ANTELOPE ACRES COMMUNITY CENTER. I WOULD LIKE TO STATE THAT
8 THE COMMUNITY CENTER STANDS BY ITS ORIGINAL REQUEST OF DENIAL
9 OF THE C.U.P. FOR THE CACTUS INN BAR AND GRILL DUE TO THE
10 NEGATIVE IMPACTS THAT WE AS A COMMUNITY BELIEVE THIS
11 ESTABLISHMENT WILL HAVE IN OUR SMALL RURAL COMMUNITY, SUCH AS
12 INCREASED TRAFFIC FROM NONRESIDENTS, ALCOHOL BEING SERVED
13 DURING AND NEAR BUS STOPS, INCREASED NOISE, INCREASE OF CRIME
14 AND, MOST IMPORTANTLY, THE OVERALL NEGATIVE INFLUENCE TO OUR
15 YOUTH THAT REGULARLY USE OUR COMMUNITY CENTER. PLEASE UPHOLD
16 THE ORIGINAL DECISION OF DENIAL OF THE C.U.P. FOR THE CACTUS
17 INN. THANK YOU.

18

19 **WIL NIEVES:** MY NAME IS WIL NIEVES. IT APPEARS FROM THE RECORD
20 THAT THERE'S SOME CONFUSION AS TO WHAT TYPE OF APPLICATION
21 THIS IS. A LOT OF THE PEOPLE HERE HAVE STATED THAT THIS IS A
22 BAR. I'VE ALSO LOOKED AT THE HOURS OF OPERATION AND THE WAY IN
23 WHICH THE APPLICATION WAS PRESENTED AND ORIGINALLY THEY DID
24 HAVE CLOSING HOUR AT 2:00 P.M.-- I'M SORRY, 2:00 A.M. IN THE
25 MORNING AND THEY HAD A POOL TABLE AS WELL, SO THOSE ARE



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1 ACTUALLY FACTORS THAT PEOPLE WOULD CONSIDER TO BE A BAR. I'VE
2 SPOKEN WITH THE APPLICANT AND HE HAS ELECTED TO VOLUNTEER SOME
3 MODIFICATIONS OF CONDITIONS IF THE BOARD WAS SO INCLINED TO
4 APPROVE THIS PROJECT, SO IN THE SPIRIT OF RECONCILIATION, HE
5 HAS PROPOSED, IF POSSIBLE, TO RESTRICT HIS HOURS FROM 6:00
6 A.M. IN THE MORNING UNTIL 9:00 P.M. AT NIGHT SUNDAY THROUGH
7 THURSDAY, AND TO HAVE AN 11 P.M. CLOSING TIME ON FRIDAY AND
8 SATURDAY. BEER AND WINE SERVICE WILL NEVER START PRIOR TO
9 11:00 A.M. IN THE MORNING. NOW, YOU HAVE TO UNDERSTAND THIS
10 PARTICULAR APPLICANT HAS HAD PREVIOUS LOCATION FOR 16 YEARS,
11 HAS A 41 LICENSE AT THAT LOCATION, HAS NEVER HAD ANY
12 VIOLATIONS. HE HAS NO CRIMINAL RECORD, HAS NEVER HAD ANY
13 PROBLEMS AT THAT LOCATION. HE HAS AFFILIATIONS WITH A LOT OF
14 THE CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS, THAT I'VE STATED PREVIOUSLY TO
15 YOU. THIS IS NOT A HIGH CRIME AREA. THIS IS PARTICULAR
16 ESTABLISHMENT USED TO BE A RESTAURANT HISTORICALLY AND IT HAD
17 A CHANGE OF USE TO A TORTILLA-MAKING MANUFACTURING BUSINESS
18 AND IT'S CHANGING BACK TO A RESTAURANT AGAIN. FOR SOME REASON,
19 THEY'VE ASSOCIATED THIS PARTICULAR ESTABLISHMENT WITH SOME
20 NEGATIVE INFLUENCES, LIKE A BIKER HANGOUT AND THINGS LIKE
21 THAT, AND THAT IS NOT THE CASE. WITH RESTRICTIVE CONTROLS,
22 WITH A ONE-YEAR PLAN REVIEW TO BRING IT BACK, THE ELIMINATION
23 OF THE POOL TABLE, THERE SHOULDN'T BE ANY PROBLEM HERE. I ALSO
24 HAVE A PETITION THAT'S BEEN SIGNED BY 255 PEOPLE THAT LIVE IN
25 THE AREA. I THINK THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF CONFUSION IN REGARDS



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1 TO WHETHER THIS IS ACTUALLY A BAR OR A RESTAURANT, AND I THINK
2 A LOT OF THAT NEGATIVITY CAN BE THROWN OUT ONCE YOU SEE THAT
3 WE VOLUNTEERED CONDITIONS FOR THE HOURS TO RESTRICT AS WELL AS
4 THE FACT THAT WE'VE ELIMINATED THE POOL TABLE AS WELL.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, LET ME ASK SOME QUESTIONS TO
9 REGIONAL PLANNING. THE PROPERTY IS DESIGNATED IN THE AREA-- IN
10 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AREA PLAN. HOW IS IT DESIGNATED?

11

12 **MARK CHILD:** IT'S DESIGNATED AS LOCAL SERVING, LOCALLY
13 ORIENTED. THIS MEANS THE BUSINESS SERVES THE NEEDS OF THE
14 RESIDENTS IN THE ZONING AREA.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DOES THE PROPOSED PROJECT MEET THE DEFINITION
17 I LOCALLY ORIENTED COMMERCIAL USE?

18

19 **MARK CHILD:** THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AREA-WIDE PLAN HAS A SPECIFIC
20 AREA DESIGNATED FOR ANTELOPE ACRES, WHICH IS LOCALLY ORIENTED
21 COMMERCIAL, AND THE APPLICATION DOES NOT MEET THE DEFINITION
22 IN THAT SECTION OF THE PLAN. THE APPLICANT HAS SHOWN THE
23 INTENT IS TO DRAW CLIENTELE FROM THE WIDER AREA AND THIS IS
24 SHOWN FROM THE PETITION THAT'S SIGNED BY OVER 50 PERCENT OF
25 THOSE WHO LIVE OUTSIDE THE AREA. IT INCLUDES PATRONS THAT HAVE



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1 VISITED THE FORMER CACTUS INN IN PALMDALE. THE APPLICANT HAS
2 ADVERTISED THE NEW PREMISES IN REGIONAL PUBLICATIONS AND THE
3 PROPOSED HOURS OF OPERATION WERE LONGER THAN IS NECESSARY FOR
4 THE LOCAL POPULATION.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO BASED UPON YOUR REVIEW OF THE APPLICATION,
7 IS THIS A BAR OR RESTAURANT?

8

9 **MARK CHILD:** THE LAYOUT OF THE FACILITY IS CHARACTERISTIC OF A
10 BAR. ABOUT HALF OF THE SEATING IS LOCATED AT THE BAR, AND THE
11 REMAINING SMALL TABLES, SMALL ROUND TABLES, THE PROPOSED POOL
12 TABLE, JUKE BOXES AND A DART BOARD AND LIVE ENTERTAINMENT. IT
13 IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT A RESTAURANT COULD BE ESTABLISHED ON
14 THIS SITE IN THIS BUILDING WITHOUT ANY NEED FOR CONDITIONAL
15 USE PERMIT. A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT IS FOR THE SALE OF
16 ALCOHOL.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THEY COULD ESTABLISH A RESTAURANT ON THEIR
19 OWN WITHOUT ANY ACTION BY THE COUNTY.

20

21 **MARK CHILD:** THAT'S RIGHT.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ARE THERE ANY OTHER SENSITIVE USES NEAR THE
24 PROPOSED PROJECT?

25



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1 **MARK CHILD:** YES. THE PROPOSED USE IS APPROXIMATELY 200 FEET
2 FROM A PLAY FIELD, THE LOCAL COMMUNITY CENTER, THE COMMUNITY
3 CENTER HAS A LARGE FIELD, BASKETBALL COURT AND HOSTS THE
4 ACTIVE 4-H PROGRAM.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT WAS THE REGIONAL PLANNING
7 COMMISSION'S VOTE ON THIS PROJECT?

8

9 **MARK CHILD:** THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION VOTED 4-0 TO DENY
10 THE APPLICATION.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND FOR THE CENSUS TRACT IN WHICH THIS
13 ESTABLISHMENT IS BEING ADJUSTED, IS THERE AN EXISTING
14 OVERCONCENTRATION OF ALCOHOL LICENSES?

15

16 **MARK CHILD:** YES, THERE IS. THE TRACT ALLOWS FOR TWO ON SALE
17 LICENSES AND THERE ARE ALREADY THREE OF THIS WILL BE THE
18 FOURTH LICENSE.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THE PROJECT IS A-- BEFORE US IS OPPOSED BY
21 THE TOWN COUNCIL?

22

23 **MARK CHILD:** YES.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WAS OPPOSED BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING
2 COMMISSION?

3

4 **MARK CHILD:** YES, IT WAS. THE LOCAL TOWN COUNCIL VOTED 5-0 TO
5 OPPOSE.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, THE APPLICANT'S PROPOSAL TO
8 SELL BEER AND WINE AT THIS LOCATION WOULD BE INAPPROPRIATE ON
9 SEVERAL GROUNDS. THE APPLICANT STATED INTENT TO SOLICIT
10 PATRONS FROM A LARGE REASON IS INCONSISTENT WITH THE ANTELOPE
11 VALLEY AREA-WIDE PLAN DESIGNATED FOR THIS PROPERTY AND
12 APPROVED BY THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THE NATURE OF THE
13 PROPOSED SITE IS CONTRARY TO THE CHARACTER OF THE EXISTING
14 RURAL COMMUNITY, THE LOCATION BEING NEAR AN EXISTING
15 RECREATION CENTER USED BY THE LOCAL 4-H CLUB FOR YOUTH AND FOR
16 YOUTH ATHLETIC EVENTS. THE AREA IN WHICH THE PROJECT IS
17 LOCATED ALREADY HAS UNDUE CONCENTRATION OF ALCOHOLIC LICENSES.
18 IN ADDITION, THERE IS A MASSIVE OPPOSITION FROM LOCAL
19 RESIDENTS, LAW ENFORCEMENT AND THE ANTELOPE VALLEY TOWN
20 COUNCIL. GIVEN THESE FACTS, REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION MADE
21 THE RIGHT DECISION WHEN IT VOTED TO DENY THE APPLICANT'S
22 C.U.P., SO I WOULD MOVE THAT THE BOARD CLOSING THE PUBLIC
23 HEARINGS, INDICATE ITS INTENT TO DENY THE APPEAL, FILED BY THE
24 APPLICANT DIRECTING COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE THE FINDINGS FOR
25 DENIAL, CARRYING IT BACK TO THE FUTURE BOARD.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THIS IS TO DENY THE APPEAL. BEER AND
3 WINE PIECE, OR THE WHOLE RESTAURANT?

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THEY CAN DO THE RESTAURANT ON THEIR OWN, IF
6 THEY WANT. THEY DON'T NEED ANY ACTION FROM THE COUNTY.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
9 RIDLEY-THOMAS. ARE THERE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OF STAFF OR
10 COUNTY COUNSEL? WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO BE THE ORDER.

11

12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE ARE NOW ON ITEM NUMBER 11. THIS IS THE
13 HEARING ON ANNEXATION OF 13 PARCELS TO THE CONSOLIDATED SEWER
14 MAINTENANCE DISTRICT WITHIN THE CITY OF SAN CLARITA AND
15 UNINCORPORATED TERRITORIES OF SANTA CLARITA, CASTAIC,
16 LANCASTER, STEVENSON RANCH AND THE LEVYING OF SEWER SERVICE
17 CHARGES WITHIN THE ANNEXED PARCELS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010-11 AND
18 THERE IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT AND NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE
19 WAS RECEIVED.

20

21 **NICHOLAS AGOGBU:** MY NAME IS NICHOLAS AGOGBU, AND I'M A SENIOR
22 CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I AM
23 FAMILIAR WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNEXATION TO THE
24 CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT OF AND LEVYING OF
25 SEWER SERVICE CHARGES FOR THE ANNEXED PARCELS IDENTIFIED IN



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1 THE BOARD LETTER WHICH ARE LOCATED AT UNINCORPORATED COUNTY
2 AND IN THE CITY OF SAN CLARITA. THE _____ CITY HAS ITS
3 CONSENT AND JURISDICTION. IN MY OPINION, ALL OF THE 13 PARCELS
4 WILL BE BENEFITED BY THE ANNEXATIONS TO DISTRICT AND BY THE
5 SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED. IN MY OPINION, THE SEWER CHARGED HAVE
6 BEEN FAIRLY IMPOSED.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** QUESTIONS OF STAFF? ANYTHING FROM COUNTY
9 COUNSEL? OKAY. THE ITEM'S BEFORE US. CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING.
10 MOVE THE ACTION BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. CHAIR WILL SECOND.
11 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE ON ITEM NUMBER 11. THIS IS THE
14 HEARING ON AMENDMENT TO THE CASTAIC BRIDGE AND MAJOR
15 THOROUGHFARE-- ITEM NUMBER 12, HEARING ON AMENDMENT TO THE
16 CASTAIC BRIDGE AND MAJOR THOROUGHFARE CONSTRUCTION FEE
17 DISTRICT REVISING THE BOUNDARIES, LIST OF PROJECTS AND FEES
18 FOR THE CASTAIC BRIDGE AND MAJOR THOROUGHFARE CONSTRUCTION FEE
19 DISTRICT IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF CASTAIC, AND THERE IS
20 NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT ON THIS MATTER AND NO WRITTEN
21 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. NO PUBLIC STATEMENT. OKAY. THE
24 ITEM IS BEFORE US. ALL RIGHT. WE WILL CLOSE THE PUBLIC



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1 HEARING. I WILL MOVE THE ITEM. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR

2 YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

3

4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT COMPLETES THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MR. THOMAS-- MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS,

7 YOU ARE UP FIRST. I'VE HAD A REQUEST, THERE ARE A NUMBER OF

8 BOARD MEMBERS HERE FOR ITEM NUMBER 50, IF THEY COULD-- IS THAT

9 THE BUDGET, THOUGH? IS THAT THE WHOLE BUDGET?

10

11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** BUDGET.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. NEVER MIND. GO AHEAD. I

14 DON'T KNOW IF WE CAN JUMP TO THAT OR NOT, BUT I'LL GET-- OKAY.

15 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I ASSUME THAT ADJOURNING

18 MOTIONS ARE IN ORDER? IS THAT CORRECT?

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MAY I BEGIN WITH CLEVELAND BROWN,

23 INGLEWOOD RESIDENT, PASSED ON SEPTEMBER 11TH, BORN IN PORT

24 GIBSON, MISSISSIPPI IN 1944. MR. BROWN RELOCATED TO POMONA,

25 CALIFORNIA, IN 1964. HE ATTEND MOUNT SAN ANTONIO COMMUNITY



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1 COLLEGE AND RECEIVED AN ASSOCIATE ARTS DEGREE FROM LOS ANGELES
2 TECHNICAL-- TRADE TECHNICAL COLLEGE. AFTER SERVING IN THE
3 UNITED STATES ARMY, HE MARRIED HIS WIFE, SHIRLEY ANN, IN 1969,
4 AND LATER BECAME A MEMBER OF THE UNION LOCAL 250 UNTIL HE
5 RETIRED IN THE YEAR 2009. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS
6 PASSION AND HIS DEDICATION TO THE COMMUNITY AND TO HIS FAMILY.
7 HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE SHIRLEY ANN, HIS SONS
8 CLEVELAND, III, AND CHRISTOPHER, DAUGHTER BARBARA, ONE
9 GRANDDAUGHTER, THREE GRANDSONS, THREE BROTHERS, FOUR SISTERS
10 AND A HOST OF OTHERS WHO LOVED HIM. ROSA LEE HAYNES, LIFELONG
11 RESIDENT OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES WHO PASSED ON SEPTEMBER
12 THE 12TH. BORN IN 1925, MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES, EARNED A
13 COSMETOLOGY LICENSE FROM SANTA MONICA CITY COLLEGE. SHE WAS A
14 MEMBER OF THE WEST ANGELES CHURCH OF GOD AND CHRIST FOR 21
15 YEARS AND ENJOYED LONG TENURE AT SAFEWAY MARKET AND THE
16 CASSANDRA 2000 HAIR SALON. SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER
17 INTEREST AND DILIGENCE IN DOCUMENTING HER FAMILY HISTORY, HER
18 TALENTS AND IN DESIGNING CLOTHES FOR THEY ARE DAUGHTER'S DOLLS
19 AND HER COOKING, GARDENING, THE OUTDOORS AND PLAYING CARDS.
20 SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER DAUGHTERS PAMELA AND
21 KICHEKO, FIVE GRANDCHILDREN, HER SON-IN-LAW, SIX GREAT
22 GRANDCHILDREN AND A HOST OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS. MR. CHAIRMAN
23 AND COLLEAGUES, MARGUERITE JUSTICE, FORMER LOS ANGELES CITY
24 POLICE COMMISSIONER WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY. MISS JUSTICE WAS
25 BORN IN 1921 IN NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, AND SETTLED IN LOS



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1 ANGELES IN 1945. SHE WORKED IN SEVERAL INDUSTRIES FROM THE
2 ENTERTAINMENT SPHERE TO THE POLITICAL SPHERE, SERVED AS A
3 PRIVATE SECRETARY TO A SCREEN ACTRESS AND A FIELD
4 REPRESENTATIVE FOR CONGRESSMAN CHARLIE WILSON. IN 1971, SHE
5 WAS THE FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN WOMAN TO BE APPOINTED TO THE
6 LOS ANGELES POLICE COMMISSION. SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER
7 DEDICATION TO HER CHURCH, HER SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY AND TO
8 OFFICERS OF THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT AND FOR HER WARM
9 AND LOVING DEMEANOR. HER MEMORY WILL BE CHERISHED BY ALL WHO
10 KNEW HER AND WHO BENEFITED FROM HER SERVICE. JAMES D.
11 MCKINNEY, SECOND DISTRICT RESIDENT WHO PASSED AWAY ON
12 SEPTEMBER 14TH, BORN IN 1931, IN TUSCALOOSA, ALABAMA. MR.
13 MCKINNEY WAS ONE OF EIGHT CHILDREN. HE RELOCATED TO THE GREAT
14 STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN 1957 AFTER FOUR YEARS OF SERVICE IN THE
15 UNITED STATES ARMY, AND THEN IN CALIFORNIA, HE WORKED FOR
16 SEVERAL COMPANIES, ENDING HIS EMPLOYMENT WITH THE METROPOLITAN
17 TRANSIT AUTHORITY DUE TO DISABILITY IN 1996. HE WAS A FAITHFUL
18 MEMBER OF THE FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH WHO SERVED-- HE SERVED
19 ON SEVERAL COMMITTEES, ASSISTED IN A VARIETY OF OTHER WAYS. HE
20 WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS LOVE FOR ALL. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH
21 HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE KELLY, HIS MOTHER LUCILLE, FOUR SISTERS,
22 EVELYN, JUANITA, SUE, MARY, FIVE CHILDREN, DARRELL, TOLANDA,
23 ART, WENDY AND GLYNESS, FIVE STEPCHILDREN, LEONARD, LADONNA,
24 ANTHONY, CALVIN, BYRON, 39 GRANDCHILDREN AND SEVERAL SIBLINGS,
25 IN-LAWS AND A HOST OF OTHERS WHO LOVED HIM. RACHEL TRAMBLE,



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1 SECOND DISTRICT RESIDENT WHO PASSED AWAY ON SEPTEMBER THE 8TH
2 IN INGLEWOOD, BORN IN BRYAN, TEXAS, IN 1939. SHE WAS A FUN-
3 LOVING, ADVENTUROUS PERSON. SHE MAINTAINED A SHARP MIND AND
4 CLEVER WIT, IN LATER YEARS LOVED TO BARBECUE AND ENJOYED
5 NATURE. SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER ENERGY AND HER SENSE OF
6 HUMOR. SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER CHILDREN ANDREA
7 AND CARL, FIVE GRANDCHILDREN, THREE GREAT GRANDCHILDREN AND A
8 HOST OF OTHER FAMILY AND FRIENDS. THAT CONCLUDES MY ADJOURNING
9 MOTIONS, MR. CHAIRMAN, AND I THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU GOING TO CALL ANYTHING UP, OR DO YOU
12 WANT ME TO MOVE FORWARD? OKAY. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, DO YOU
13 HAVE ANY ADJOURNMENTS?

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES, I DO.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. I HAVE SEVERAL.
18 FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO ASK THE BOARD TO ADJOURN IN THE
19 MEMORY OF HENRY GIBSON, LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF THE OF OUR
20 DISTRICT, PROLIFIC CHARACTER AND COMIC ACTOR WHO RECENTLY
21 PASSED AWAY OF CANCER IN MALIBU AT THE AGE OF 73. HENRY
22 GIBSON, I THINK MOST PEOPLE WILL REMEMBER, GOT HIS EARLY START
23 AS A GUEST ON JOHNNY CARSON, "THE TONIGHT SHOW," VARIOUS COMIC
24 SHOWS, BUT HE BECAME BEST KNOWN FOR HIS COMIC TURNS IN THE
25 LATE '60S VARIETY PROGRAM "LAUGH-IN." HE HAD A NUMBER OF



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1 ROLES, QUITE A FEW ROLES DURING HIS CAREER, VERY PROLIFIC
2 ACTING AND COMEDY CAREER. HE SURVIVED BY THREE SONS, JON,
3 CHARLES AND JAMES, THREE SISTERS, ADELE DONAHUE, ELIZABETH
4 MALLOY AND MARY LEE AND TWO GRANDCHILDREN. ASK THAT WE ADJOURN
5 IN THE MEMORY OF MICHAEL ROSENTHAL, PUBLISHER AND CO-FOUNDER
6 OF THE "SANTA MONICA MIRROR" WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE
7 AGE OF 56 AFTER A LONG BATTLE WITH CANCER. RESIDENT OF THE
8 PACIFIC PALISADES, HE FOUNDED THE WEEKLY LOCAL PRINT AND
9 ONLINE NEWSPAPER 10 YEARS AGO. AT THE TIME HE WAS SERVING AS
10 PRESIDENT OF VIDEO SECURITY SYSTEMS COMPANY STARTED BY HIS
11 FATHER, BUT HE LAUNCHED THE NEWSPAPER AS AN EFFORT TO EXPLORE
12 HIS WRITING AND ARTISTIC CREATIVITY. HE WAS WELL REGARDED AS A
13 LEADER AND GENTLEMAN BY COMPETITORS AND COLLEAGUES ALIKE. AND
14 HIS PUBLICATION BECAME VERY INFLUENTIAL AND IS VERY
15 INFLUENTIAL TO THIS DAY. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE LAURIE AND
16 HIS SON DYLAN. LAST I WOULD LIKE TO ASK THE BOARD TO ADJOURN
17 IN THE MEMORY OF MARY TRAVERS, ONE-THIRD OF THE LEGENDARY '60S
18 FOLK TRIO, PETER, PAUL AND MARY, WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT
19 THE AGE OF 72, AFTER A LONG BATTLE WITH LEUKEMIA. AMONG HER
20 MANY HITS INCLUDING "BLOWING IN THE WIND", "IF I HAD A
21 HAMMER", "PUFF THE MAGIC DRAGON", "LEMON TREE", "I DIG ROCK N'
22 ROLL MUSIC", AND "LEAVING ON A JET PLANE", AMONG MANY OTHERS.
23 BORN IN LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY, MARY TRAVERS' FAMILY MOVED TO
24 NEW YORK WHEN SHE WAS TWO. HER PARENTS, BOTH WRITERS,
25 ENCOURAGED HER INTEREST IN MUSIC AND HER PROFESSIONAL CAREER



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1 BEGAN SINGING BACKUP ON RECORDS BY PETE SEGER IN THE MID
2 1950S. PETER, PAUL AND MARY CAME TOGETHER IN THE EARLY 1960S
3 AS A FOLK SUPERGROUP AND FOUND INSTANT SUCCESS WITH THEIR
4 FIRST ALBUM IN 1962, RELEASED THE SAME YEAR THAT BOB DYLAN
5 MADE HIS DEBUT TOUCHING OFF A FOLK MUSIC BOOM THAT SWEEPED THE
6 WORLD. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER FOURTH HUSBAND, ETHAN ROBBINS,
7 TWO DAUGHTERS, ERICA MARSHALL AND ALICIA TRAVERS, A SISTER ANN
8 GORDON AND TWO GRANDCHILDREN. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'M GOING TO-- ARE YOU DONE WITH YOUR
11 ADJOURNMENTS? MIKE, I'M GOING TO HOLD OUR ADJOURNMENTS. I GOT
12 SOME, TOO, TO GET TO A COUPLE OF ITEMS HERE. WE'VE GOT A LOT
13 OF PEOPLE HERE ON THE BUDGET, AND WE CAN MOVE THOSE OTHER
14 ITEMS RELATIVELY QUICKLY. FIRST OF ALL, BEFORE WE GET TO THE
15 BUDGET, I WOULD CALL ITEM 25. COULD WE HAVE THE C.E.O., OUR
16 STAFF. BACK TO BUSINESS HERE NOW. OKAY. THIS IS ITEM NUMBER
17 25. A FEW PEOPLE HAVE SIGNED UP. DAVE GILLOTTE AND ARNOLD
18 SACHS. OKAY. MR. GILLOTTE, IF YOU'D LIKE TO DO FIRST.

19

20 **DAVE GILLOTTE** GOOD MORNING. FOR THE RECORD, I'M DAVE GILLOTTE,
21 **AND I'M PRESIDENT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL**
22 **1014, BUT I SPEAK TODAY WITH A DIFFERENT HAT AND THAT IS A**
23 **MEMBER OF THE HEALTH AND THAT IS AS A MEMBER OF THE HEALTH AND**
24 **WELFARE TRUST. FIRST OF ALL, THANK YOU TO THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE,**
25 **SPECIFICALLY MR. FUJIOKA, MR. LYONS FOR THEIR DILIGENCE IN**



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1 MEETING WITH ME ON ALL OF THE RESPECTIVE UNDERSTANDINGS AND
2 ISSUES AND DISCUSSING THOSE WITH ME SO WE COULD COME WAKE UP A
3 RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE ALL PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE PLAN
4 EXCEPT FOR THE DENTAL ITEMS, AND I OFFER UP A COUPLE OF PIECES
5 THAT WOULD CLEAR THAT UP AS WELL. I WOULD LIKE TO SUGGEST TO
6 THE BOARD THAT SOMEONE MAKE A MOTION AS FOLLOWS, THE EXACT
7 MOTION, YOU WROTE BUT CHANGED THE WORD "EXCLUSIVE" TO
8 "INCLUSIVE OF THE DENTAL BENEFITS" WITH THE NOTE THAT THERE'S
9 AN UNDERSTANDING THAT THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVAL
10 APPLIES TO THE ACTIVES ONLY AND IS EXCLUSIVE OF RETIREES AND
11 THEREFORE ANY LIABILITIES FOR THOSE RETIREES, AND ON THAT
12 POINT, WE ARE A SELF-FUNDED INDEMNITY HEALTH PLAN, MANAGED AND
13 RUN BY NERISSA TRUST, WE SET OUR BENEFIT LEVELS AND OPTIONS
14 COMPLETELY DEPENDENT UPON THE FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE
15 HEALTH OF THE PLAN. THE DENTAL BENEFITS WE PROPOSED ARE FAIRLY
16 SIMPLE AND AUGMENT MEANT THE COUNTY'S SPONSORED DENTAL PLANS
17 AND IN FACT, OUR MEMBERS WOULD BE REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE IN
18 THE COUNTY DENTAL PLANS. WE SEEK NOT TO CARVE OUT. AS FAR AS
19 COMPELLING NEED GOES, WE SEEK TO IMPROVE THESE BENEFITS BY
20 STUDIED EXPERIENCE OF OUR MEMBERSHIP AND IT'S IMPORTANT TO
21 NOTE THAT THAT MEMBERSHIP, WE HAVE 3,200 MEMBERS. ONLY 1,200
22 MEMBERS DON'T HAVE OUR PLAN, AND TO BE HONEST, EVEN IF I SENT
23 A LIMOUSINE, CHOCOLATES AND FLOWERS TO THOSE 1,200 OTHER
24 MEMBERS, I'M NEVER GOING TO GET A HUNDRED PERCENT OF THOSE
25 MEMBERS IN MY PLAN. THESE BENEFITS WILL NOT AFFECT ANY



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1 UNFUNDED LIABILITIES FOR COUNTY FOR THE RETIREES IN THAT THESE
2 BENEFITS ARE FUNDED 100 PERCENT, SOLELY, BY THE PLAN AND, IN
3 FACT, THERE IS NO GUARANTEE THAT THESE BENEFITS WILL BE THERE
4 IN FUTURE YEARS. I HAVE TO EVALUATE THAT AS WE'VE DONE IN THE
5 PAST WITH THINGS LIKE IN VITRO FERTILIZATION BENEFITS AND
6 PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS FOR MY MEMBERS. SOME OF THOSE HAVE
7 COME AND GONE, AND BASED ON EXPERIENCE, THAT'S HOW WE MANAGE
8 THE PLAN. IN CONCLUSION, I SEEK A MOTION TO APPROVE, AS I HAVE
9 RECOMMENDED, AND THIS IS ALSO IDENTIFIED THAT WE NEED TO MOVE
10 THIS PROCESS UP EARLIER AND I PLAN TO BE THE LEAD WITH REGARD
11 TO THE LABOR ORGANIZATIONS AND WORK WITH MANAGEMENT TO TRY TO
12 GET A CALENDAR THAT BRINGS THESE DISCUSSIONS MUCH SOONER THAN
13 SO CLOSE IN PROXIMITY TO OCTOBER 1ST OR 31ST FOR CHOICES. SO
14 THIS IS A SHARED RESPONSIBILITY AT THIS POINT TODAY, A SHARED
15 LIABILITY. I RESPECTFULLY SUBMIT TO YOU MY RECOMMENDATIONS ON
16 THE ISSUE. THANK YOU.

17
18 >>SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU.

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20 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: MR. CHAIRMAN--

21
22 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: HANG ON. YOU'RE INDICATING WITH THAT
23 DENTAL BENEFIT THAT THE UNION TRUST FUND PAYS FOR THAT
24 ADDITIONAL COST?



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1 **DAVID GILLOTTE:** THAT'S CORRECT, 100 PERCENT SELF-FUNDED AND
2 MANAGED.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, WITH THAT CLARIFICATION TO
5 THE EXTENT THAT IT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS WITH
6 THE C.E.O., I WOULD SO MOVE.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'LL GET A COMMENT, BUT WE ALSO HAVE
9 MR. SACHS.

10

11 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. GOING
12 OUT ON A LIMB A LITTLE BIT. THE CITY OF L.A. RECENTLY CHANGED
13 PARTIALLY THEIR LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE TO COVER AN INCREASE FOR
14 WORKERS ONLY AT THE AIRPORT, AND SO I READ IN HERE THAT YOU
15 HAVE A SIGN-UP PERIOD FOR UNREPRESENTED EMPLOYEES AND UNDER
16 REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES--

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** HAPPENS EVERY YEAR.

19

20 **ARNOLD SACHS:** EVERY YEAR. THAT'S FINE. I ALSO KNOW THAT THE
21 COUNTY HAS A LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE FOR SOME COMPANIES THAT
22 BASICALLY ALLOWS THEM TO ELIMINATE HEALTHCARE COVERAGE IN LIEU
23 OF PAYING THEIR EMPLOYEES MORE MONEY. I DON'T WANT TO GO INTO
24 HOW RIDICULOUS THAT IS IN THE FIRST PLACE, BUT SINCE THE
25 COUNTY HAS A PLAN THAT IT SPONSORS, ARE THOSE COMPANIES THAT



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1 FALL UNDER THE LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE, DO THEY GET TO SUBMIT
2 THEIR EMPLOYEES TO THIS-- BE UNDERWRITTEN BY THE COUNTY'S
3 PLAN?

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO.

6

7 **ARNOLD SACHS:** NO. DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

10

11 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. YOU WANT TO COMMENT ON MR.
14 GILLOTTE'S TESTIMONY AND THE MOTION BEFORE US?

15

16 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WHEN THIS ITEM CAME TO YOUR BOARD LAST WEEK,
17 AND I TALKED TO A NUMBER OF YOUR OFFICES, OUR PRINCIPAL
18 CONCERN WAS WHETHER OR NOT IT WOULD IMPACT RETIREES, BECAUSE
19 AT THAT POINT IN TIME, THERE'S A QUESTION OF WHETHER OR NOT
20 THE 1014 WOULD PAY FOR THAT UNFUNDED LIABILITY. THAT LIABILITY
21 OVER A PERIOD OF TIME. TODAY, DAVID HAS COME TO THE BOARD,
22 INTO OUR OFFICES STATING THAT THIS BENEFIT WILL NOT BE
23 PROVIDED TO RETIREES, SO IT HAS ADDRESSED OUR PRINCIPAL
24 CONCERN.

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. THEN WITH THAT, ITEM
2 25-- OKAY. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** TO BE SURE I COMPLETELY UNDERSTAND THIS, NUMBER
5 ONE, WHY ARE WE APPROVING IT? WHY IS IT A REQUIREMENT FOR US
6 TO APPROVE THIS IF THEY NEGOTIATE THIS AND PAY FOR THIS? WHY
7 ARE WE INVOLVED IN APPROVING IT?

8

9 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** OVERALL BECAUSE IT'S PART OF OUR BENEFITS
10 STRUCTURE, AND WHATEVER IS APPROVED, IT HAS-- WHETHER OR NOT
11 IT'S PAID BY IN THIS INSTANCE 1014, IT WOULD STILL HAVE AN
12 IMPACT ON OUR BENEFIT STRUCTURE. WE WERE CONCERNED, WE HAD
13 SERIOUS CONCERNS THAT THIS BENEFIT WOULD BE EXTENDED TO
14 RETIREEES.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** NOW YOU HAVE GOTTEN THAT CLARIFICATION, WHY DO WE
17 NEED TO DO IT NOW?

18

19 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** BECAUSE OF THE OPEN ENROLLMENT PERIOD IS
20 COMING UP SOON.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. BUT IF, IN FACT, THEY'VE BEEN IN
23 NEGOTIATIONS FOR FIVE MONTHS, WHY WASN'T THIS PART OF THE
24 NEGOTIATIONS?

25



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1 **DAVID GILLOTTE:** MAY I? THIS IS NOT PART OF NEGOTIATIONS.

2

3 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHY NOT?

4

5 **DAVID GILLOTTE:** BECAUSE NEGOTIATIONS DEALS WITH THE AMOUNT OF
6 MONEYS THAT ARE FUNDED FOR THE PLANS IRRESPECTIVE OF WHAT YOU
7 DO IN THE MINUTE CHANGES YOU MAKE IN YOUR PLANS
8 ADMINISTRATIVELY THAT WE DO ALL YEAR LONG. THIS IS ABOUT
9 SETTING BENEFIT LEVELS WITHIN YOUR HEALTH PLAN, KAISER, CIGNA,
10 THE UNION HEALTH PLANS. WE DO THAT ALL YEAR LONG AND REALLY
11 THE CALENDAR IS DIFFERENT, IT DEALS WITH LACERA, IT DEALS WITH
12 THE COUNTY. WE SHOULD BE DOING IT AROUND JULY.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND, BUT WHY IS IT, IF YOU'RE GOING TO
15 DO THIS, ISN'T LIKE A PROPOSAL. HERE'S MY CONCERN, AND I DON'T
16 EVEN KNOW IF I SHOULD BE CONCERNED. AGAIN, I JUST HEARD ABOUT
17 THIS. I THINK YOU CALLED OR OFFICE THIS WEEK. I DON'T
18 UNDERSTAND. I DON'T WANT TO GET INTO A SITUATION WHERE LABOR
19 UNIONS MAKE A PROPOSAL TO US THAT WE GOTTEN DON'T GET TO
20 REVIEW OR UNDERSTAND ITS IMPLICATIONS. I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING
21 ABOUT THE RETIREE HEALTH, BUT I KNOW IF I WERE A RETIREE AND I
22 DON'T GET THAT BENEFIT AND THE REST OF THE UNION MEMBERS GET
23 IT, I'D LIKE TO FILE A LAWSUIT AND SAY, WHY AM I NOT ENTITLED?
24 THERE MIGHT BE A COURT THAT MIGHT AGREE.

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1 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE'VE ALWAYS MADE A DISTINCTION BETWEEN
2 BENEFITS PROVIDED--

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND, BUT THE POINT IS, I DON'T KNOW ANY
5 OF THE OUTSTANDING ISSUES HERE, AND I JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND
6 WHY THERE ISN'T A PROCESS, IF WE'RE GOING TO APPROVE IT. I
7 MEAN, EVEN WHEN WE HAVE BOARD ITEMS OF ANY TYPE, WE'VE ASKED
8 UNDER THE NEW RULES, AT LEAST HAVE TWO WEEKS HEADS UP SO THAT
9 WE HAVE SOME UNDERSTANDING.

10

11 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THIS ISSUE WAS ADDRESSED IN A REPORT THAT WAS
12 RELEASED TO THE BOARD I WANT TO SAY ABOUT A MONTH AGO AND OUR
13 REPORT IDENTIFIED THIS ISSUE, AND WITH THAT OUR OPPOSITION
14 BECAUSE OF THE IMPACT ON RETIREES. I BELIEVE EVEN THE BOARD
15 AGENDA ITEMS SPOKE TO THE CONCERN THAT WE WOULD APPROVE IT
16 WITH THE WHOLE BENEFIT REQUEST OR PROPOSAL WITH THE EXCEPTION
17 OF 1014'S REQUEST BECAUSE OF THE IMPACT ON RETIREES.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO WHAT ARE THE OTHER BENEFITS REQUESTED THE
20 UNION HAS MET?

21

22 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** OF? YOU KNOW, THE REPORT OF 1014 OR THE REPORT
23 IN GENERAL?

24

25 **SUP. MOLINA:** THE REPORT IN GENERAL.



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2 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE REPORT IN GENERAL SPEAKS TO THE RATE
3 INCREASE.

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5 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO, I UNDERSTAND THE RATE INCREASE. I REMEMBER
6 READING THAT, BUT WHAT OTHER ENHANCEMENTS HAVE THE UNIONS
7 REQUESTED UNDER THESE NEW PROPOSALS? IS THAT IN THE REPORT?

8

9 **SPEAKER:** IN THE BOARD LETTER OF SEPTEMBER 15TH, IT TALKS ABOUT
10 THE VARIOUS UNION-SPONSORED PLANS AND THE RATE INCREASES.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** I KNOW. I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT THE RATE INCREASES.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** AND THE BENEFIT CHANGES.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** OKAY. THERE ARE BENEFIT CHANGES.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** YES.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO THAT WE'RE APPROVING ALL OF THOSE AS WE
21 APPROVE THIS ITEM, THERE ARE BENEFIT CHANGES THAT-- DO THEY
22 CHANGE THE RATE STRUCTURE AT ALL?

23



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1 **SPEAKER:** THEY WERE INCORPORATED WHEN THEY-- WHEN THE RATES
2 WERE NEGOTIATED WITH THE VARIOUS CARRIERS AND THEY WERE
3 INCLUDED AND LOOKED AT BY THE COUNTY'S CONSULTANT.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHY IS THIS ONE OUT OF THE SCOPE OF THAT, I GUESS
6 I'M TRYING TO UNDERSTAND. IS THIS SOMETHING THAT JUST
7 HAPPENED? I MEAN, I WAS CERTAINLY, I MEAN, EVERYBODY WOULD
8 LOVE THEIR DENTAL PLAN TO PAY FOR THEIR CHILDREN'S BRACES, I'M
9 A BIG FAN OF THAT, BUT I JUST DON'T KNOW HOW-- IS THERE A
10 PROCESS THAT I'M MISSING HERE THAT I DON'T KNOW ABOUT?

11

12 **BILL LYONS:** I'M BILL LYONS WITH THE C.E.O.. WE HAVE A PROCESS
13 THAT WE BASICALLY FOLLOW EVERY YEAR WITH THIS LETTER, WHERE
14 BENEFIT CHANGES, TWEAKS, IF YOU WILL, TO THE BENEFIT PLANS ARE
15 INCLUDED IN THIS LETTER FOR BOTH COUNTY SPONSORED AND COUNTY
16 APPROVED UNION SPONSORED PLANS. THESE CHANGES AFFECT THE
17 PREMIUMS THAT'S INDICATED, BUT NOT COUNTY COSTS BECAUSE THEY
18 ARE DETERMINED BY THE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CAFETERIA PLANS,
19 WHICH ARE NEGOTIATED.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND THAT, SO NOW MY QUESTION. ANSWER
22 THAT.

23

24 **BILL LYONS:** WELL, THERE ARE A NUMBER OF CHANGES STARTING ON
25 PAGE 7.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** AGAIN, IN THIS LETTER. WAS THIS A PART OF THAT
3 LETTER?

4

5 **BILL LYONS:** YES.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO AT THAT POINT IN TIME, EVEN THOUGH THEY HAD
8 MADE THE REQUEST, IT WAS NOT INCLUDED AS APPROVED BECAUSE OF
9 THE RETIREE COMPONENT?

10

11 **SPEAKER:** THAT WAS A MAJOR PART OF IT. YES, THAT WAS THE
12 REASON.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO THEY DID GO THROUGH THE PROCESS.

15

16 **BILL LYONS:** YES. WE JUST DISAGREE WITH LOCAL 1014 ON THIS
17 BECAUSE OF THE RETIREE ISSUE.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND SO RIGHT NOW YOU'VE AMENDED YOUR REQUEST SO
20 THAT IT DOES EXCLUDE RETIREES.

21

22 **DAVE GILLOTTE:** WITH YOUR PERMISSION, WE HAVE THE ABILITY BEING
23 A SELF-FUNDED PLAN, TO DO THINGS OUTSIDE OF THE PLAN WHERE WE
24 CAN PUT LINE ITEMS TOGETHER JUST LIKE THE COUNTY AND FUND
25 THINGS AND DO THAT, BUT NOT WITHIN THE APPROVAL PROCESS. THE



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1 OTHER THING, AND I'LL GIVE YOU MY THANKS AS WELL AS TO SOME
2 UNDERSTANDING ON THIS, WE DID MEET, WE MET AND WENT OVER AND I
3 HAD TO SHOW ALL OF THE FUNDING MECHANISMS ON ALL OF THIS AND
4 WE DID THAT DURING THE TIME PERIOD THAT WE WERE GOING FROM
5 FUNERAL TO FUNERAL TO MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR OUR FOLKS AND YOU
6 WERE GRACIOUS ENOUGH TO GRANT ME THE EXTENSION THAT IT WAS ALL
7 WE COULD DO TO PULL THOSE MEETINGS TOGETHER IN BETWEEN
8 PLANNING FOR EVERYTHING ELSE WE HAD GOING, AND THAT VERY MUCH
9 WAS AN IMPACT TO THE PROCESS. AS I SHARED IN HERE BEFORE,
10 WE'RE GOING TO I THINK TAKE A COLLABORATIVE LOOK AT MOVING
11 THAT PROCESS FORWARD AND MAKING IT SO THAT IT HAPPENS MUCH
12 EARLIER THAN OCTOBER 1ST, AND THE OTHER THING IS, WITH REGARD
13 TO BENEFITS BEING AS PROPOSAL ITEMS, CERTAIN THINGS, THE MOST
14 ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLE, THE HEALTH PARITY BENEFITS, WE ALL HAD
15 TO COMPLY WITH THAT. THERE WAS A COST TO THAT. IT'S NOT AT MY
16 HAND NOR THE COUNTY'S HAND. WE QUANTIFIED IT, GOT THE
17 CONSULTANTS TO COME IN AND MADE THOSE IMPROVEMENTS IN THE
18 CONTEXT OF THE LETTER AND ALL PLANS HAD TO DO THAT, SO THOSE
19 THINGS COME UP AS WELL, IT'S NOT JUST THAT WE WANT TO MAKE
20 BENEFIT CHANGES.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO THAT I UNDERSTAND CLEARLY, IT DID GO THROUGH
23 THE PROCESS, IT WAS PART OF THE PROCESS AND THE ONLY OBJECTION
24 THE C.E.O. HAD WITH ON THE RETIREE COMPONENT BECAUSE OF THE
25 COST OR THE--



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2 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE ANSWER IS YES.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** NOW UNDER THIS PROPOSAL, YOU HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH
5 IT AS IS.

6

7 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES, BUT IT'S ALSO IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT IT
8 BENEFIT CHANGES THAT AS RELATES TO 1014, BUT ALSO LISTED IN
9 OUR MEMO SPEAK TO THE UNION-SPONSORED PLAN, SO IT'S DIFFERENT.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND THAT PLAN, I UNDERSTAND, AS TO WHY WE ARE
12 INVOLVED. I KNOW THE RATE CHANGES BUT AS FAR AS THE CONTENT OF
13 THE BENEFITS, WHICH IS WHAT THEY KIND OF NEGOTIATE, AND THAT'S
14 WHY I'M TRYING TO UNDERSTAND.

15

16 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** BUT I THINK IT'S STILL IMPORTANT THAT WE STAY
17 INVOLVED WITH THAT AND HAVE SOME DEGREE OF CONTROL OVER IT.
18 OTHERWISE WE'LL START SEEING PLANS THAT WOULD HAVE AN IMPACT
19 ON THE COUNTY SPOTS FOR COUNTY PAY PLAN.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND MY ONLY OTHER ISSUE ON THIS IS-- AND I DON'T
22 HAVE A PROBLEM WITH MOVING THIS FORWARD, I JUST THINK THINK
23 THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT THE EQUITY ISSUES OF WHAT KIND OF
24 PROVISIONS OF HEALTHCARE ARE PROVIDED TO VARIOUS EMPLOYEES. OF
25 COURSE IT'S ALWAYS BEEN-- THAT'S NOT CHANGED NO MATTER IF THIS



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1 IS INCLUDED OR NOT, THAT'S A DIFFERENT ISSUE, BUT I GUESS
2 THERE'S NOT MUCH WE CAN DO AS TO TRYING TO CREATE A MORE EQUAL
3 SYSTEM AS TO WHAT THE BENEFITS ARE BECAUSE OF THE WAY THIS
4 STRUCTURE WAS SET UP.

5

6 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YOU'RE RIGHT, ESPECIALLY IF THEY'RE UNION-
7 SPONSORED PLANS, THEY USED THEIR OWN ASSETS TO PROVIDE
8 BENEFITS THAT ARE SEPARATE OR DIFFERENT THAN WHAT'S OFFERED TO
9 THE COUNTY SPONSORED PLAN.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU SO MUCH. APPRECIATE IT.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU SAY, MR. FUJIOKA, THAT YOU HAVE NO OTHER
14 CONCERNS, AND SO THE ISSUE THAT I RECEIVED AN EMAIL ON AND A
15 BUNCH OF US DID YESTERDAY IS NOT SUFFICIENT A CONCERN TO--
16 THAT'S ON THE IMPACT OF THE OTHER PLANS.

17

18 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** DAVE ADDRESSED THAT SOMEWHAT, BUT AS I
19 MENTIONED, OUR PRINCIPAL CONCERN WAS THE IMPACT ON THE RETIREE
20 HEALTHCARE.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THE REMAINING CONCERN IS NOT SUFFICIENT.

23

24 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NO, NO.

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THERE'S A MOTION AND A SECOND IN FRONT
2 OF US. ANY OBJECTION? SO BE THE ORDER. THANK YOU. OKAY. LET'S
3 GO TO THE BUDGET. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAT ARE SITTING
4 OUT HERE IN REGARDS TO THE BUDGET. AS SHE IS WALKING FORWARD,
5 DEBBIE LIZZARI, THIS IS HER LAST BUDGET, SHE'S RETIRING ON
6 THURSDAY AND SHE HAS DONE A GREAT JOB MOVING THIS BUDGET
7 THROUGH OVER THE YEARS AND WE WANT TO WISH YOU THE VERY, VERY
8 BEST IN YOUR RETIREMENT. [APPLAUSE.]

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU LOOK A LOT MORE RELAXED THAN IN
11 PREVIOUS YEARS.

12

13 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WELL, WAIT UNTIL SHE GIVES HER LAST SPEECH.

14

15 **DEBBIE LIZZARI:** WHEN THIS BOARD MEETING IS OVER, I'LL BE A LOT
16 MORE RELAXED.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE A NUMBER OF ITEMS ON OUR AGENDA.
19 WE MAY HAVE TO JUMP AROUND BECAUSE WE HAVE A LOT OF PEOPLE
20 SIGNED UP TO TESTIFY ON DIFFERENT ELEMENTS, IF THAT'S OKAY,
21 BUT LET'S START WITH THE PRESENTATION.

22

23 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF ITEMS. I WAS GOING TO
24 START WITH SOME VERY, VERY GENERAL COMMENTS, GOING DOWN THE
25 ITEMS AND WHEN WE HAVE SPEAKERS, WE CAN PAUSE AT THAT POINT IN



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1 TIME. WHAT'S REAL IMPORTANT, AND YOU'VE DONE THAT RIGHT NOW,
2 IS THE FIRST DEBBIE. DEBBIE HAS BEEN THE GOOD BUDGET SHEPHERD
3 FOR THIS COUNTY FOR MANY, MANY YEARS, AND TO A LARGE EXTENT,
4 IT STARTS WITH HER ON THE C.E.O. BUDGET STAFF, BUT IT ALSO
5 EXTENDS TO WHAT THIS BOARD HAS DONE AS FAR AS DEVELOPING AND
6 THEN ENSURING TO A POINT WITH ABSOLUTE COMPLIANCE WITH
7 FINANCIAL STANDARDS, WHY WE'RE NOT LOOKING AT FURLOUGHS RIGHT
8 NOW, WE'RE NOT LOOKING AT ANY LAYOFFS RIGHT NOW. WE HAVE SOME
9 IMPACTS TO OUR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES BUT PRINCIPALLY CAUSED TO
10 EXTERNAL FACTORS SUCH AS WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE STATE LEVEL.
11 AS IT RELATES TO WHAT WE HAVE CONTROL OF, I THINK WE ALL KNOW
12 THAT THIS COUNTY IS IN SIGNIFICANTLY BETTER PLACE THAN ANY
13 OTHER MUNICIPALITY IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, BUT THAT'S NOT
14 TO SAY THAT THE WORST IS OVER. WE ALL KNOW THAT THE STATE OF
15 THE ECONOMY CONTINUES TO HAVE PROBLEMS. THEY'RE ALREADY
16 TALKING ABOUT FURTHER DEFICIT IN THE RANGE OF 8 TO \$10 BILLION
17 THAT WE'RE VERY, VERY CONCERNED WITH WE KNOW WE HAVE TO MAKE
18 SOME ADDITIONAL AND VERY TOUGH DECISIONS IN THE FUTURE. WE ALL
19 RECOGNIZE THAT THIS BUDGET INCLUDES A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF
20 ONE-TIME MONEY TO GET US OVER SOME OF THIS-- I'LL CALL IT THIS
21 ECONOMIC CRISIS. WE HAVE ONE-TIME MONEY THAT ADDRESSES SOME
22 ECONOMICALLY DRIVEN DEFICITS IN OUR BUDGET, BUT WE FEEL THAT
23 USE OF THAT ONE TIME MONEY IS EXTREMELY PRUDENT. YOU'LL SEE IN
24 THIS BUDGET THAT WE'RE RECOMMENDING THAT WE CONTINUE WITH THE
25 HIRING FREEZE AND A BOARD ORDER FREEZE ON SERVICES AND



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1 SUPPLIES. EVEN THOUGH WE HAVE A BALANCED BUDGET RIGHT NOW, WE
2 FEEL THAT IS AN EXTREMELY PRUDENT ACTION THAT WE MUST TAKE
3 RIGHT NOW UNTIL WE SEE WHAT HAPPENS WITH THE STATE BUDGET AND
4 ALSO UNTIL WE SEE THAT OUR REVENUES BOUNCE BACK. WHEN IT COMES
5 TO PROPERTY TAX, SALES TAX AND OTHER GENERAL FUND REVENUES,
6 WE'VE SEEN A HISTORIC DROP UNLIKE WE'VE SEEN FOR MANY, MANY
7 YEARS. IN THIS BUDGET, WE'VE HAD SOME DECISIONS THAT ARE
8 DIFFICULT FOR YOU, BUT THE ONE THING THAT I'D EMPHASIZE, THE
9 DIFFICULT DECISIONS MAY STILL COME IF THE ECONOMY CONTINUES TO
10 GET WORSE. THE ONE THING I'VE ASKED THAT WE DO IS MAINTAIN I
11 THINK THE TERM I'M HEARING AROUND THIS BOARD ROOM ARE FISCAL
12 PRUDENCE AND WE PROCEED VERY CAREFULLY AS WE MOVE FORWARD AND
13 THAT AS WE DISCUSSED, THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET TODAY, WE ACT
14 EXTREMELY DILIGENTLY WHEN WE CONSIDER ADDING ANY NEW
15 APPROPRIATIONS OR EXPANDING EXISTING APPROPRIATIONS BECAUSE
16 THAT MONEY WILL BE NEEDED AS WE MOVE FORWARD THROUGH THIS
17 FISCAL YEAR AND PROBABLY INTO NEXT FISCAL YEAR. THOSE ARE JUST
18 MY GENERAL COMMENTS. I'M GOING TO HOLD BACK ON MY COMMENTS ON
19 ITEM 50 BECAUSE, AS YOU KNOW, WE HAVE TO GO THROUGH THE ITEMS
20 33 UP UNTIL 50, AND THEN WHEN I GET TO THAT ITEM, I'LL SPEAK
21 MORE ON WHAT WE'RE GOING TO ASK YOU TO DO AS IT RELATES TO
22 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET. WE TALKED ABOUT ITEMS 33 AND 34 BEING
23 CONTINUED. ON ITEM 35, IT'S THE C.E.O. MEMO ON THE D.A. CODE
24 ENFORCEMENT. I'D ASK THAT THAT BE HANDLED AS A RECEIVE AND



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1 FILE. SHOULD WE HANDLE ONE ITEM AT A TIME? I'M ON ITEM 35
2 RIGHT NOW.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT.

5

6 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I'D ASK THAT IT BE TAKEN AS A RECEIVE AND FILE
7 ITEM.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ITEM NUMBER 35, CHAIR WILL MOVE
10 RECEIVE AND FILE. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT
11 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

12

13 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** ON ITEM 36, WE'VE ASKED FOR THAT TO BE
14 CONTINUED TWO WEEKS.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED. 37, TWO WEEKS.

17

18 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** 37, TWO WEEKS. ITEM 38, ON THE COMMISSION ON
19 AGING AND THE A.A.A. ADVISORY COUNCIL, RECEIVE AND FILE,
20 PLEASE.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THERE ARE SOME INDIVIDUALS WHO WOULD LIKE
23 TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

24



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. WE'RE GOING TO HOLD
2 THAT SEPARATE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON THAT. ANYTHING ELSE WE
3 CAN--

4

5 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I CAN JUST GO DOWN THE REST OF MY LIST, IF
6 YOU'D LIKE, OR WOULD YOU LIKE TO--

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHO SAID THAT? BILL WHO? WHAT DO YOU
9 MEAN WE HAVE TO GO THROUGH ALL OF THIS? WE HAVE TO GO THROUGH
10 ALL OF THESE TO GET TO ITEM 50? IS THAT WHAT YOU'RE SAYING?

11

12 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YEAH. I'M GOING TO NEED YOUR APPROVAL AT LEAST
13 FOR SURE ON 45 BEFORE WE GET INTO 50.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT, ALL RIGHT. LET THE RECORD
16 REFLECT MR. FUJIOKA MADE THAT DECISION. ALL RIGHT. ITEM 38. WE
17 HAVE SEVEN SPEAKERS. OKAY. THANK YOU, MR. FUJIOKA. DOMINGO
18 DELGADO, BERNARD WEINTRAUB, AMOS FRIED AND MARVIN SCHACHTER
19 WILL BE THE FIRST FOUR SPEAKERS. A COUPLE MINUTES EACH,
20 PLEASE. GO AHEAD AND RECEIVE YOUR TESTIMONY, A COUPLE MINUTES.
21 IDENTIFY YOURSELF. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO THE COUNTY.
22 WE APPRECIATE ALL YOU DO.

23

24 **MARVIN SCHACHTER:** GOOD EVENING. I'M MARVIN SCHACHTER, FORMER
25 PRESIDENT OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL OF THE L.A. COUNTY AREA



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1 AGENCY ON AGING WHO HAS BEEN VERY HEAVILY INVOLVED EVER SINCE
2 I WAS 60, WHICH WAS 25 YEARS AGO, IN THE SENIOR COMMUNITY. I
3 COME HERE TO SPEAK IN FAVOR OF THE PROPOSED COMBINATION OF THE
4 ADVISORY COUNCIL AND THE COMMISSION ON AGING. MY MAJOR REASON,
5 THOUGH, IS TO BRING TO YOUR ATTENTION A VERY IMPORTANT
6 EXCEPTION TO THAT AGREEMENT OF THAT PROPOSAL. THE PROPOSAL
7 WOULD MERGE THE CURRENT 48-MEMBER COMMISSION ON AGING AND THE
8 100 AUTHORIZED MEMBER ADVISORY COUNCIL AGENCY ON AGING. IT'S A
9 GOOD PROPOSAL EXCEPT FOR THE FACT THAT IT DOES NOT MEET THE
10 REQUIREMENTS AND THE NEEDS OF THE SENIOR COMMUNITY HERE IN LOS
11 ANGELES. WHY IS THAT SO? WELL, WE HAVE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS
12 ANGELES OVER A MILLION, PERHAPS A MILLION AND A HALF SENIORS.
13 WE HAVE 88 CITIES AND PRACTICALLY EVERY ONE OF THESE CITIES
14 HAS A COMMISSION ON AGING OF ITS OWN. WE HAVE A PUBLICLY
15 SUPPORTED GROUP OF SENIOR CENTERS OF OVER 141 PLUS HUNDREDS OF
16 OTHER SENIOR CITIZENS BY PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS. WE HAVE, AND
17 THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT POINT, WE HAVE 15 MEMBERS OF CONGRESS
18 IN THIS COUNTY, WE HAVE 27 STATE ASSEMBLY MEMBERS IN THIS
19 COUNTY, WE HAVE 14 STATE SENATORS IN THIS COUNTY. IN OTHER
20 WORDS, WE HAVE A GROUP OF ABOUT 56 LEGISLATORS WHO DEAL WITH
21 THE ISSUES AND WITH THE FUNDING OF THE BULK OF THE PROGRAMS
22 THAT THE COUNTY ADMINISTERS. ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT ASPECTS
23 OF THE WORK OF THE SENIOR ADVISORY COUNCIL HAS BEEN TO PROVIDE
24 INFORMATION TO THE MEMBERS WHO MAKE THE DECISIONS ABOUT THE
25 SENIOR COMMUNITY. THE PROPOSAL I MAKE IS A VERY MODEST



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1 PROPOSAL. THAT IS TO MODIFY THE PROPOSAL MADE THAT, INSTEAD OF
2 HAVING A COMMISSION, A NEW COMMISSION OF 50 MEMBERS, WE ADD 15
3 MORE MEMBERS SO THE CUT IN THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE EXISTING
4 ADVISORY COUNCIL FROM 100 WOULD BE A CUT TO BRING THAT GROUP
5 DOWN TO 40 MEMBERS. IT MEANS A DIMINISHMENT OF OUR ABILITY TO
6 WORK AND I WANT TO EMPHASIZE VERY STRONGLY THAT THIS IS A TWO-
7 WAY STREET. THE OLD AMERICANS ACT REQUIRES REPRESENTATION, BUT
8 WE REQUIRE AND I THINK THE COUNTY REQUIRES THE ABILITY TO
9 REACH THIS HUGE SENIOR COMMUNITY AND FOR THAT WE NEED THE
10 VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION OF SENIORS, AND I WANT TO EMPHASIZE
11 I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT--

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** TIME'S UP.

14

15 **MARVIN SCHACHTER:**-- ANY ADDITIONAL MONEY. WE'RE ALL
16 VOLUNTEERS.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE UNDERSTAND THAT. I THINK WE ALL
19 UNDERSTAND THAT. NEXT?

20

21 **DOMINGO DELGADO:** YEAH. MY NAME IS DOMINGO DELGADO, I'M CHIEF
22 COMMISSIONER FOR DISTRICT ONE APPOINTED BY SUPERVISOR GLORIA
23 MOLINA, AND I CONSIDER MYSELF AS A COMMISSIONER NOT ONLY
24 REPRESENTING DISTRICT ONE BUT AS A COMMISSIONER REPRESENTING
25 THE ENTIRE COUNTY. MY CONCERN IS THAT WHEN WE STARTED



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1 INVESTIGATING OR REVIEWING THE VARIOUS COMMISSIONS WHEN THEY
2 CAME TO US, THEY DIDN'T COME TO-- THEY DIDN'T INTERVIEW ANY OF
3 THE COMMISSIONERS EXCEPT FOR ONE, SO I FEEL THAT WITHOUT THAT
4 IMPACT OF OUR COMMISSION, I THINK THAT THE REPORT IS
5 INCOMPLETE BECAUSE I'VE BEEN SERVING THE ONE MORE YEAR, I'LL
6 BE SERVING THE SENIOR CITIZENS FOR 50 YEARS, AND I'VE BEEN ON
7 THE A.A.A. AND ON THE COMMISSION ON AGING, AND BUT THIS
8 COMBINATION IS NOT GOING TO HELP ANYTHING BECAUSE IF WE'RE
9 DOING IT TO SAVE MONEY, THE COMMISSION DOESN'T HAVE ANY
10 BUDGET. WE GET PAID \$26 EVERY TIME WE MEET AND OUT OF THOSE
11 \$26, WE'RE TAXED ON THAT AND THAT BECAME INCOME TAX. I PAY
12 \$900 ON MY PROPERTY TAX AND IN ESSENCE I'M PAYING MYSELF. THE
13 BUDGET THAT HAS THE BUDGET IS THE A.A.A. BECAUSE THEY GET
14 FUNDED BY THE ADMINISTRATION ON AGING IN WASHINGTON, THE STATE
15 OFFICE ON AGING. IN THIS COUNTY, WE HAVE TWO A.A.A.S, LOS
16 ANGELES CITY AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AS COMMISSIONERS, WE CAN
17 SERVE THE SENIOR POPULACE OF LOS ANGELES CITY. AS A.A.A.
18 MEMBERS, WE CANNOT BECAUSE THAT'S CO-MINGLING FUNDS, AND WE
19 CAN'T HAVE THAT.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU, DOMINGO. I'M GOING TO
22 ASK MAGGIE BELTON AND NATALIE AMBROSE TO JOIN US, PLEASE.
23 BERNARD AND AMOS.

24



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1 **BERNARD WEINTRAUB:** I'M BERNARD WEINTRAUB. I AM A PAST
2 PRESIDENT OF THE COMMISSION ON AGING, AND I ONLY HEARD A
3 COUPLE OF VERY BRIEF COMMENTS. I SAT IN ON THE TASK FORCE
4 STEERING COMMITTEE WHICH GENERATED THE REPORT RECOMMENDING THE
5 NUMBER 50. I FEEL THE NUMBER 50 IS AN ADEQUATE NUMBER AND I
6 FEEL IT SHOULD BE AN EQUAL DIVISION BETWEEN THE COMMISSION ON
7 AGING AND THE AREA AGENCY ON AGING. WE DIDN'T TALK ABOUT
8 SKEWING THE NUMBER IN ONE DIRECTION HIGHER THAN THE OTHER AND
9 I FEEL THIS WOULD CAUSE DIVISIVENESS BECAUSE THERE IS-- THERE
10 HAS BEEN SOME-- NOT HOSTILITY, BUT THERE HAS BEEN SOME
11 CONCERNS AMONG THE TWO GROUPS AND I THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT
12 THAT THERE WOULD BE AN EQUAL DIVISION OF REPRESENTATION ON THE
13 NEW BODY. THAT IS MY PRIMARY CONCERN. I FEEL THAT PERSONALLY I
14 FEEL THIS WHOLE MATTER WAS DONE HASTILY AND THAT I FEEL IT
15 WOULD HAVE BEEN MORE PROPER TO HAVE TAKEN A LITTLE LONGER TO
16 ACCOMPLISH THIS. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I WOULD CERTAINLY AGREE WITH
19 THE EQUAL NUMBER. BARBARA SINCLAIR, IF YOU'D JOIN US. NEXT?

20

21 **AMOS FRIED:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS AMOS FRIED. I'M A
22 MEMBER OF THE SENIOR ENRICHMENT CENTER IN ROSITA. I'M ALSO A
23 CONSTITUENT WITH ZEV YAROSLAVSKY. I'M HERE BASICALLY AS MR.
24 WEINTRAUB SAID, TO SUPPORT A CONSOLIDATION PLAN AS DEVELOPED
25 BY THE STEERING COMMITTEE, WHICH BASICALLY FOLLOWED UP YOUR



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1 OWN ORDER SOME TIME AGO. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE NEW BODY
2 BEING FORMED BY THE CONSOLIDATION OF THE L.A.C.C.O.A. AND THE
3 A.A.A. ADVISORY COMES, SO, YOU KNOW, EQUAL REPRESENTATION FROM
4 BOTH GROUPS. OR IF IT'S NOT, IT WILL NOT REALLY BE A
5 CONSOLIDATION BUT ONE GROUP, WHICH, YOU KNOW, WILL TRY TO TAKE
6 OVER THE OTHER ONE. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

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10 **NATALIE AMBROSE:** I'M NATALIE AMBROSE. I LIVE IN THE ANTELOPE
11 VALLEY AND I HAVE BEEN ON THE AREA AGENCY ON AGING FOR 19
12 YEARS AND THE COMMISSION FOR SIX. I THINK THE IDEA OF THE
13 DEPARTMENT WANTING TO HAVE ITS WAY IN THE WAY IT HANDLES
14 SENIOR AFFAIRS POLITICALLY IS A HAZARD. THE COMMISSION MUST
15 REMAIN INDEPENDENT AND THE A.A.A. MUST REMAIN IN TOUCH WITH
16 THE COMMUNITIES. THAT IS AN ABSOLUTE NECESSITY. THE COMMISSION
17 SHOULD TAKE ITS WHOLE AND SHOULD REALLY LOOK AT HOW IS THE
18 SENIOR COMMUNITY DOING WITHIN OUR COMMISSIONS. WE HAVE A GREAT
19 CONCERN THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF SENIOR CITIZENS SEES IT MORE AS
20 TIME CONSUMPTION, IT COULD BE EXPENSIVE, ET CETERA, AND I
21 THINK IT IS IMPORTANT TO PUT THE MEANING OF HANDLING THE
22 SENIORS OF WHO ARE WE SERVING AND HOW ARE WE SERVING THEM. THE
23 COMMISSION LOOKS AT THE TOTAL PATTERN, SEES WHERE THERE ARE
24 NOT THINGS AND SEES POLITICALLY WHAT THE IMPLICATIONS ARE. THE
25 CENTERS SERVE LESS THAN 30 TO 40 PERCENT OF THE SENIORS IN THE



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1 COUNTY AND IT'S IMPORTANT THAT THAT BE WHERE THE DEPARTMENT
2 PUTS ITS ENERGIES. IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE RECOGNIZE
3 THAT IT'S A DEPARTMENT THAT IS NOT A POLITICAL SOURCE AND THE
4 COMMISSION CAN BE A POLITICAL EMPHASIS AND LOOKING FOR WHERE
5 THINGS ARE NOT BEING DONE AND THINGS ARE BEING DONE, AND I
6 THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE GET PEOPLE ON THE COMMISSION TO
7 SEE THAT VISION AND THAT WE GET PEOPLE ON THE A.A.A. THAT SEE
8 THE NEED FOR PROVIDING SERVICES, AND I THINK THAT IS A
9 CONTROVERSY AT THE TIME.

10

11 **MAGGIE BELTON:** ARE YOU READY FOR THE NEXT SPEAKER?

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SURE.

14

15 **MAGGIE BELTON:** MY NAME IS MAGGIE MARGARET BELTON, AND TO THE
16 SUPERVISORS WHOM I HAVEN'T SEEN FOR A WHILE, SOME OF YOU I
17 WISH TO SAY HI, AND I'M BACK AGAIN, BUT THIS TIME I WANT TO
18 TALK ABOUT SOMETHING THAT IS BOTHERING ME. I LOOKED AT WHAT
19 YOU'RE ASKING US TO DO, AND IT HAS A GOOD FEASIBILITY STUDY IF
20 YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT MONEY. ALL OF YOU KNOW THAT THE SENIOR
21 POPULATION IS GROWING. IF YOU DON'T, TAKE A LOOK IN YOUR
22 MIRROR FROM LAST YEAR. WE HAVE AN INCREASED CULTURAL AND
23 DIVERSITY IN L.A. COUNTY THAT'S GOING TO INCREASE. I HATE TO
24 MICKEY MOUSE AROUND WITH THINGS AND NUMBERS AT THE PEOPLE THAT
25 HAVE DECIDED THEY SHOULD BE. IF SOMEBODY IS LOOKING AT



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1 REDEFINING AND REDEVELOPING WHAT SENIORS ARE AND WHO THEY ARE
2 OF L.A. COUNTY WITHOUT TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THAT MAYBE
3 THE NUMBER COUNT, WHAT DO THEY CALL IT, MANAGING TASKS, ISN'T
4 THE RIGHT WAY TO DO IT. I HAVE SOME REAL QUALMS ABOUT HOW THIS
5 HAPPENED. I DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT IT THE FIRST TIME WHEN YOU PUT
6 IT ON THE AGENDA. IS THIS TIME I DECIDED I WOULDN'T MISS IT.
7 WE'RE HAVING A BIG IMPACT ON WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN TO A LARGE
8 PART OF OUR CITIZENRY, SO I'M HOPING THAT WHEN WE LOOK AT HOW
9 THE NUMBERS ARE ACCOUNTED AND HOW WE'RE LOOKING AT THE CHANGES
10 AND THE CULTURES AND DIVERSITY IN L.A. COUNTY, WE WILL BE
11 MOVING FORWARD IN A DIFFERENT DIRECTION, AND I WANT TO THANK
12 ALL OF YOU FOR LISTENING TO US THIS TIME AROUND, AND YOU WON'T
13 DO IT AGAIN. THANKS.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT.

16

17 **MAGGIE BELTON:** SOME OF THESE PEOPLE KNOW ME. HEH. [LAUGHTER.]

18

19 **BARBARA SINCLAIR:** I'M BARBARA SINCLAIR, PRESIDENT OF
20 L.A.C.C.O.A.. WE WEREN'T HAPPY ABOUT THE REPORT AND I WROTE TO
21 YOU AND THE C.E.O.. HOWEVER, WHEN WE WERE INFORMED THAT THE
22 UNION WAS A FAIT ACCOMPLI, THEN WE DECIDED THAT OUR CONCERN
23 FOR THE WELL BEING OF SENIORS WAS SO IMPORTANT THAT WE WERE
24 REALLY GOING TO GET ON BOARD AND HAVE DONE SO. WE HAVE WORKED
25 DILIGENTLY IN TRYING TO COME UP WITH A PLAN THAT WAS A



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1 POSSIBILITY. THE STEERING COMMITTEE WAS FORMED AND IT HAD
2 MEMBERS FROM BOTH L.A.C.C.O.A. AND THE ADVISORY COUNCIL AND I
3 WOULD SAY THAT WE HAVE REALLY WORKED HARD. THERE ARE A LOT OF
4 YET-TO-BE DETERMINED PORTIONS THAT HAVE NOT YET BEEN DECIDED.
5 I'M NOT SURE THAT WE AREN'T RUNNING THIS A LITTLE TOO FAST AND
6 THAT THOSE DECISIONS MIGHT COME BACK TO YOU FOR A FUTURE LOOK,
7 BUT WE'LL SEE. IN TERMS OF NUMBERS, I FIND IT IMPERATIVE THAT
8 WE HAVE EQUAL DISTRIBUTION AND I WOULD URGE 50. WE STARTED
9 WITH 50 AND A MEMBER OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL ACTUALLY
10 SUGGESTED 40, WHICH I THOUGHT WAS GREAT, BECAUSE IT'S VERY
11 DIFFICULT TO GET A LOT OF WORK DONE WITH A VERY LARGE GROUP.
12 HOWEVER, 50 I THINK WOULD WORK AND IT DID COME IN AS THE FINAL
13 REPORT. I AM HOPING STRENUOUSLY THAT YOU WOULD GIVE
14 CONSIDERATION TO ALLOWING THE STEERING COMMITTEE'S TRANSITION
15 TEAM TO COME BACK AND CONFER WITH YOU OR THE DEPUTIES OR THE
16 ADMINISTRATORS ON ISSUES THAT WE'LL HAVE A MAJOR IMPACT ON
17 SENIORS NOW AND IN THE FUTURE. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT GREAT,
18 GREAT NUMBERS. THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THE MOTION BEFORE US IS TO
21 RECEIVE AND FILE, AND IT'S COMING BACK. IS THAT CORRECT, MR.
22 FUJIOKA?

23

24 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES, SIR.

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'LL MOVE TO RECEIVE AND FILE. SECONDED
2 BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. OKAY.
3 ITEM 39.

4

5 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** ITEM 39 IS ALSO A REQUEST TO RECEIVE AND FILE,
6 BUT I UNDERSTAND THERE'S A MOTION ON THE FLOOR RELATED TO THIS
7 ITEM.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. WE WISH TO AMEND
10 THAT WHICH IS BEFORE US AND THE ITEMS ARE CIRCULATING, CO-
11 AUTHORED BY BOTH THE CHAIRMAN AND MYSELF. ESSENTIALLY TO DO AS
12 FOLLOWS: IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATIONS AS SET FORTH IN THE
13 WRITTEN REPORT TO THE BOARD DATE SEPTEMBER 22ND, WORK WITH THE
14 ARTS COMMISSION TO FUND THE ARTS INTERNSHIP WITH T.A.N.F.-
15 E.C.F. FUNDING AND, FINALLY, UTILIZE THE CABLE T.V. FRANCHISE
16 FUND TO FULLY FUND THE ANNUAL HOLIDAY PROGRAM AND TRANSFER 369
17 AND NET COUNTY COSTS PREVIOUSLY USED TO THE HOLIDAY-- TO FUND
18 THE HOLIDAY CELEBRATION TO THE PROGRAM. I THINK WHAT THIS
19 ESSENTIALLY SEEKS TO ACCOMPLISH IS TO TAKE THE WISDOM AND THE
20 DUE DILIGENCE OF THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE AND TO RAISE THE LEVEL OF
21 SUPPORT AND CONTINUITY FOR THIS INTERNSHIP PROGRAM. MR.
22 CHAIRMAN, APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT WE HAVE THOUGHT THIS
23 THROUGH AND HAVE ESSENTIALLY COME TO A PLACE TO KNOW THAT THIS
24 INTERNSHIP IS IMPORTANT NOT ONLY IN TERMS OF THE ADVANCEMENT
25 OF THE ARTS, BUT IN TERMS OF JOBS, FOR THOSE BUDDING ARTISTS



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1 AND ENTREPRENEURS WHO WISH TO SEE THE ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT
2 AS A FUNDAMENTAL FEATURE OF THE ECONOMY OF OUR COUNTY AND
3 REGION. OBVIOUSLY THIS IS A RELATIVELY MODEST AMOUNT OF MONEY
4 BUT WHAT'S GOOD ABOUT THIS, THIS MODEST AMOUNT OF MONEY GOES A
5 LONG, LONG WAY. ALL OF US RECEIVED THE LETTERS FROM THE
6 STUDENTS, FOR EXAMPLE, WHO WERE IN THE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM AND
7 WHAT AN EXTRAORDINARY EXPERIENCE THEY HAD THROUGHOUT THE
8 COUNTY PROVIDING SUPPORT AND SO THIS IS ESSENTIALLY TO PROVIDE
9 THE SUPPORT TO THE COMMISSION THAT IS NEEDED FOR THIS REALLY
10 EXCEPTIONAL PROGRAM. THE COUNTY AND A FEW OTHER COUNTIES
11 THROUGHOUT THE STATE AND BEYOND HAVE PROGRAMS COMPARABLE TO
12 THIS AND I SIMPLY BELIEVE THAT WE HAVE A COMPROMISE HERE THAT
13 CAN PROVIDE THE APPROPRIATE SUPPORT FOR IT AND I THEREFORE
14 MOVE THAT WE ADOPT THIS AMENDING LANGUAGE.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND I'LL SECOND IT AS LONG AS WE CLARIFY
17 THAT WE ARE FUNDING THESE INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS THROUGH
18 T.A.N.F.-E.C.F. FUNDING, AND WITH THAT, I SECOND IT.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AS INDICATED.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHEN YOU SAY, TO CLARIFY, DOES THAT MEAN
23 THAT IT WILL BE BECAUSE-- BECAUSE THE MOTION I HAVE IS IF IT'S
24 NOT FUNDED THROUGH T.A.N.F., IT WILL BE-- YOU TAKING THAT OUT?

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH. RIGHT THERE.

2

3 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** TAKING OUT WHAT?

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** COULD I JUST TAKE A SECOND SO I CAN LOOK AT
6 IT? I MAY NOT HAVE THE LATEST VERSION. I WANTED TO READ IT.
7 ITEM 3, ARE YOU TAKING ITEM 3 OUT?

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH. WELL, I DON'T KNOW-- WE TOOK OUT
10 SOME PARTS.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** UTILIZING THE CABLE T.V. FRANCHISE? THEN
13 ITEM 3-- IF THE INTENT IS TO DO IT THROUGH T.A.N.F. FUNDS, CAN
14 YOU REMOVE ITEM 3?

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT'S NOT TO REMOVE ITEM 3, IT'S TO SAY THAT
17 ITEM 2 IS THE FOCUS OF THE EFFORT TO STABILIZE THE INTERNSHIP
18 PROGRAM AS A BACKSTOP TO THAT EFFORT AND IT'S REASONABLY CLEAR
19 THAT T.A.N.F. WILL BE THE FIRST CALL, BUT GIVEN THE RELATIVELY
20 SMALL AMOUNT OF MONEY FOR SUCH GOOD WORK, THIS IS A SOURCE OF
21 FUNDING THAT WE DEEM TO BE APPROPRIATE FOR THOSE OF US WHO
22 SUPPORT THE ARTS AND INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS, OBVIOUSLY JOBS ARE
23 ON THE LINE HERE AND IT SEEMS TO ME AND OTHERS THAT THIS IS A
24 REASONABLE WAY TO PROCEED. I DO ACKNOWLEDGE THE WISDOM OF THE
25 C.E.O.'S OFFICE WITH RESPECT TO T.A.N.F. RESOURCES AS A FIRST



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1 CALL, BUT I THINK IT'S FAIR TO SAY THAT WE CAN PROVIDE THE
2 APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF CONTINUITY TO MAKE THIS GO FORWARD.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. CAN I-- ITEM NUMBER 3 DOES NOT SAY
5 IT'S A BACKSTOP. IT SAYS UTILIZE THE CABLE T.V. FRANCHISE FUND
6 TO FULLY FUND THE ANNUAL HOLIDAY PROGRAM AND TRANSFER \$369,000
7 IN COSTS TO THE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU'RE CORRECT.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND NUMBER ONE, IF THAT'S WHAT WE WANT TO DO
12 IS JUST GUARANTEED THE 369,000-- THE EASIEST WAY TO DO THIS--
13 THEN I WOULD SUGGEST THAT WE DIRECT THE C.E.O. TO IDENTIFY
14 FUNDS OTHER THAN THE CABLE FUND, BECAUSE THE CABLE FUND--
15 WHAT'S IT CALLED, THE CABLE T.V. FRANCHISE FUND IS WHAT'S
16 GOING TO BE USED TO BUILD OUT THE COUNTY TELEVISION CHANNEL,
17 WHICH IS BEING WORKED ON NOW, YOU HIRED STAFF, YOU GOT PEOPLE
18 WORKING ON IT, AND THIS SHOULDN'T BE THE SOURCE OF THOSE
19 FUNDS, SO I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM, MARK, WITH THE-- WITH
20 ANYTHING EXCEPT THE SOURCE OF THOSE FUNDS, AND WHAT I WOULD
21 SUGGEST IS--

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 3 DOESN'T MATCH UP TO 2.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT DOESN'T. THE EASIEST WAY TO DO THIS IS--



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THEN LET ME SUGGEST THE FOLLOWING, THAT WE
3 AMEND OR MODIFY, THAT IS REVISE, ITEM NUMBER 3 TO ESSENTIALLY
4 CLARIFY IT BEING BACKFILL OR TO BACKSTOP AND TO INSTRUCT THE
5 C.E.O. TO FIND THE APPROPRIATE RESOURCES.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** APPROPRIATE SOURCE OF FUNDING, YEAH.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I WOULD NOT EXCLUDE THE CABLE FRANCHISE
10 FUND BUT WOULDN'T SPECIFY THAT THAT'S THE ONLY SOURCE TO WHICH
11 THE C.E.O. SHOULD DIRECT HIS ATTENTION. ALL RIGHT?

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, EXCEPT THAT ITEM 2 IS WHAT I
14 WANTED, THAT THE POSITION FOR THE INTERNSHIP WITH T.A.N.F.
15 FUNDS AND THE SECOND PART, ON ITEM 3, THEN, WE DON'T NEED TO
16 REMOVE-- WE ALREADY HAVE 369 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY COSTS FOR
17 THE HOLIDAY CELEBRATION?

18

19 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WHICH WE DID, YES.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO WE DON'T HAVE TO DO ANYTHING. WE'RE
22 NOT CHANGING ANYTHING. YOU CAN ACTUALLY ELIMINATE 3.

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WE ARE TRANSFERRING THE FUNDS, ARE WE NOT?

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO. YOU DON'T NEED TO IF YOU'RE GOING TO DO
2 THE T.A.N.F.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THAT ASSUMES THAT YOU GET THE APPROPRIATE
5 LEVEL OF FUNDING ON-- FROM T.A.N.F.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND IF THEY CAN'T, THEN THEY HAVE TO
8 COME BACK.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO LET ME MAKE A DISCUSSION.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S NOT UNTIL JUNE OF NEXT YEAR.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WHAT I'M SAYING IS THAT WE CAN AVOID THAT
15 BY INSTRUCTING THE C.A.O. TO HAVE THE FIRST CALL BE T.A.N.F.
16 AND THE BALANCE THROUGH RESOURCES THAT HE WOULD COME BACK TO
17 US WITH AN APPROPRIATE SOURCE. THAT'S FINE WITH ME.

18

19 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT, IF I CAN
20 INTERJECT, AND WE'VE BEEN WORKING WITH LAURA AND HER STAFF
21 THAT THE ARTS COMMISSION WOULD AGGRESSIVELY PURSUE USING THE
22 T.A.N.F. FUNDS, THE FIRST TWO RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE SEPTEMBER
23 22ND MEMO THAT SPEAKS TO USING THE T.A.N.F. FUNDS FOR THIS
24 EXPRESS PURPOSE THAT ALL SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS'S
25 MOTION. WE FEEL THAT THAT'S A REASONABLE SOURCE OF FUNDS,



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1 ESPECIALLY FOR THE INDIVIDUALS WHO CURRENTLY PARTICIPATE IN
2 THIS INTERNSHIP AND GIVEN THEIR-- THE FACT THAT A LOT OF THEM
3 MEET THE CURRENT QUALIFICATIONS. IN THE EVENT--

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHY DON'T WE CHANGE 3 TO SAY IF WE'RE
6 UNABLE TO USE T.A.N.F. DOLLARS TO FULLY FUND THE INTERNSHIP,
7 THAT WE HAVE THE C.E.O. REPORT BACK? THAT WAY, I MEAN, YOU
8 WANT TO MAKE AN ENCOURAGEMENT TO USE T.A.N.F. DOLLARS FOR
9 THIS. YOU HAVE THE MONEY BEND FOR THE HOLIDAY CELEBRATION
10 ALREADY, SO YOU DON'T HAVE TO DO ANYTHING THERE, BUT SHOULD
11 YOU BE UNABLE TO USE T.A.N.F. FOR THE FULL FUNDING OF THE
12 INTERNSHIP, TO COME BACK-- WE COULD HAVE YOU REPORT BACK TO US
13 WITH WHERE THOSE DOLLARS MIGHT BE ABLE TO COME FROM.

14

15 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I UNDERSTAND, AND THAT WAS OUR INTENT BECAUSE
16 I BELIEVE EVERYONE RECOGNIZES THAT THAT SHOULD BE THE FIRST
17 CALL. IF I BELIEVE TODAY'S INTENT WAS TO ENSURE THAT IF
18 THERE'S A DELTA BETWEEN WHAT WE CAN DO TO T.A.N.F., THAT WE
19 IDENTIFY IT IN LIGHT OF WHAT SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY STATED, WE
20 IDENTIFY AN APPROPRIATE SOURCE OF FUND AND THEN WE'LL COME
21 BACK. WE'LL COME BACK FOR APPROVAL.

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND WE MADE A SUGGESTION AS TO WHAT THAT
24 WOULD BE. MR. CHAIRMAN, THE HEAD OF THE ARTS DEPARTMENT



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1 REMINDS US OF THE TIME SENSITIVITY OF THE MATTER, AND IT MAY
2 BE USEFUL FOR US TO BE APPRISED OF THAT. MAY I?

3

4 **SPEAKER:** ACTUALLY, SORRY FOR MY HOARSENESS, I'M GETTING OVER A
5 COLD. ACTUALLY, THE INTERNSHIPS ARE ALL AWARDED BY JANUARY,
6 FEBRUARY, SO JOB SEARCHES CAN BEGIN IN THE SPRING. OUR FEELING
7 WAS IS THAT DURING THE FALL, WE COULD AGGRESSIVELY PURSUE THE
8 T.A.N.F. OPTION BE IDENTIFIED WITH THE C.E.O., BUT I THINK WE
9 HAVE SOME REAL QUESTIONS AS TO HOW MUCH THIS WILL WORK. ONE IS
10 THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THAT PROGRAM IS THAT PARTICIPANTS HAVE TO
11 HAVE CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 18, WHICH MEANS THAT THERE'S A
12 VERY LIMITED NUMBER OF UNDERGRADUATES THAT ARE LIKELY TO FIT
13 AND THEN WE ARE TRYING TO WORK THROUGH SOME THINGS IN THE
14 SYSTEM THAT WOULD ACTUALLY ALLOW US TO MATCH UP THE STUDENTS
15 WHO WOULD BE QUALIFIED WITH REGISTERED WORK SITES WITH THE
16 ARTS ORGANIZATION WORK SITES BECAUSE IN THE CURRENT SYSTEM,
17 THEY MIGHT BE REGISTERED IN TWO DIFFERENT PLACES, SO WE'RE
18 GOING TO WORK THROUGH THAT AS MUCH AS WE CAN, BUT I DON'T KNOW
19 REALISTICALLY HOW MANY POSITIONS WE'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO
20 FILL FOR THIS PROGRAM USING T.A.N.F., AND IF NOT, WE REALLY
21 NEED TO ACT BY DECEMBER IN TERMS OF ARTS ORGANIZATIONS
22 PROGRAMS, SO IT WOULD COME BACK TO YOU RATHER QUICKLY.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S FINE, BUT AT LEAST WE MAKE THE
25 ATTEMPT AND THAT'S THE MOTIVATION. WE'RE TRYING TO BE HELPFUL.



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2 **SPEAKER:** AND I GREATLY APPRECIATE THAT.

3

4 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE CAN COME BACK. IT IS SEPTEMBER. THE ARTS
5 COMMISSION CAN TAKE THE NEXT 30, 45 DAYS TO AGGRESSIVELY
6 PURSUE ANOTHER T.A.N.F. OPTION. I BELIEVE WHAT SUPERVISOR
7 RIDLEY-THOMAS IS TRYING TO ACHIEVE IS TO SEND THE MESSAGE THAT
8 THE FUNDING WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR THIS EFFORT, SO WE'LL DO
9 T.A.N.F. FOR 45 DAYS, WE'LL COME BACK TO YOU SAY LATE NOVEMBER
10 WITH A PROPOSAL.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I SUPPORT THE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM.

13

14 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I KNOW YOU DO.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BUT I'M JUST SAYING YOU SHOULD BE
17 AGGRESSIVE TO BE ON THE T.A.N.F. SIDE OF THAT WHICH IS WHAT
18 IT'S THERE FOR, THOSE ARE THE KINDS OF PROGRAMS, THEN YOU COME
19 BACK AND IDENTIFY THE DOLLARS NECESSARY TO MAKE SURE THAT WE
20 FUND THE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM.

21

22 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I ABSOLUTELY AGREE. T.A.N.F. IS THE BEST
23 SOLUTION AT THIS JUNCTURE. THEN, WE'LL COME BACK CONSISTENT
24 WITH THE INTENT OF THIS MOTION, WE'LL COME BACK IN LATE



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1 NOVEMBER WITH AN UPDATE ON THIS AND EITHER WE'VE DONE IT OR
2 HERE'S WHAT WE NEED TO DO.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANY OTHER COMMENTS? OKAY. IF NOT, WITH
5 THAT COULD--

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THE UNDERSTANDING IS? I'M SORRY? HE'S
8 GOING TO REPORT BACK ON A SOURCE FUNDING?

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AFTER THEY--

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BEFORE THEIR DROP DEAD DATE.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO THAT THEY CAN DO IT IN THE NUMBER OF
15 DAYS.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THEN C.E.O. COMES BACK TO THE BOARD WITH
18 THE APPROPRIATE SOURCES TO WHICH WE CAN APPEAL TO ENSURE
19 CONTINUITY OF THE INTERNSHIP. SO MOVED.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
22 ORDERED.

23

24 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** MOVING ON, PLEASE, WE HAVE ITEM 40. IT'S A
25 RECEIVE AND FILE. THIS IS A REQUEST THAT O.P.S. MAINTAIN THE



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1 SAME LEVEL OF PARKS PATROL DURING THE SEVERAL SUMMER MONTHS,
2 AND THAT'S BEEN ACHIEVED.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. RECEIVE AND FILE. MOVED BY
5 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.
6 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

7

8 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** ITEM 41, PLEASE. IT'S USING THE PARKS FEE
9 INCREASE TO MAINTAIN POOL PROGRAMS. THIS IS A RECEIVE AND
10 FILE. WE'VE ALREADY ACHIEVED THIS THROUGH A PRIOR BOARD
11 ACTION.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS,
14 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH TO RECEIVE AND FILE. SO
15 ORDERED.

16

17 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** 42 IS INSTRUCTING US TO PURSUE LEGISLATIVE
18 CHANGE BY LOWERING THE TWO-THIRDS VOTING REQUIREMENT FOR PAST
19 STATE BUDGET. WE HAVE SENT THE LETTER AND WE'RE MAKING THE
20 BUDGET.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE A MOTION TO RECEIVE AND FILE BY
23 SUPERVISOR THOMAS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WE DO
24 HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT. MR. SACHS? ARNOLD, ARE YOU STILL HERE?

25



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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU AGAIN. ARNOLD SACHS. SACRAMENTO
2 ADVOCATES. BASED ON WHAT HAPPENED WITH THE VOTE FOR THE ITEM
3 THAT YOU BROUGHT UP LAST WEEK, SUPERVISOR MOLINA REGARDING THE
4 BUILDING OF THE STADIUM, AND HOW THE HOUSE-- THE STATE-- I
5 THINK IT WAS THE STATE LEGISLATION ALREADY HAD PASSED THAT
6 BILL, MAYBE WE COULD PUT A FIRE UNDER THE SACRAMENTO ADVOCATES
7 TO DO THE BIDDING THAT THE COUNTY WOULD LIKE, BUT ALSO WHILE
8 THEY'RE LOOKING INTO TWO-THIRDS VOTING PROCESS, MAYBE THEY
9 COULD LOOK INTO SOME OF THE OTHER THINGS THAT GO ON WHILE THE
10 STATE IS IN ITS LOGJAM REGARDING THE STIPENDS AND THE
11 NECESSITIES THAT STATE LEGISLATORS FEEL THEY'D NEED TO HAVE
12 AND THE PER DIEM THAT THEY GET AND MAYBE THEY COULD DO LIKE
13 ARIZONA. I'M READING FROM AN EDITORIAL IN THE PRESS TELEGRAM
14 HOW ARIZONA LEGISLATORS GET \$24,000 A YEAR PLUS 25 DAYS-- \$25
15 A DAY FOR EXPENSES, AND IF THEY DON'T FINISH THE BUSINESS OF
16 THE STATE LEGISLATION, THEY ONLY GET \$10 A DAY. WE NEED TO GET
17 SOME FIRE UNDER STATE LEGISLATION SO THAT THEY KNOW THAT
18 THEY'RE BEHOLDEN TO THE PEOPLE THAT ELECT THEM TO OFFICE.
19 MAYBE THEY CAN DO SOMETHING REGARDING THE PERKS THAT THE STATE
20 LEGISLATORS GET IN ADDITION TO THE TWO-THIRDS. IF THEY CAN'T
21 DO ONE, THEY SHOULD LOOK INTO DOING SOMETHING ABOUT THE OTHER.
22 THE IDEA THAT WE HAVE ALL THESE STATE LEGISLATORS AND
23 OFFICIALS TAKING HOME VEHICLES FOR THEIR OWN PERSONAL USE,
24 MAYBE THESE THINGS SHOULD BE LOOKED INTO IN THE STATES
25 SUFFERING BUDGET CUTS LIKE THEY ARE AND REDUCING -- BEING



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1 REDUCED TO PAYING BY CREDIT LIKE THEY DID FOR THE THREE MONTHS
2 WHERE WE WOULD HAVE HAD TO GIVE OUT I.O.U.S. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. OKAY. THE ITEM IS
5 BEFORE US. MOVED AND SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

6

7 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NEXT IS ITEM 43, PLEASE, RECEIVE AND FILE.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** RECEIVE AND FILE BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA,
10 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
11 ORDERED.

12

13 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NEXT IS ITEM 44, PLEASE, ANOTHER RECEIVE AND
14 FILE. IT'S ALREADY REPORTED ON THE SHERIFF'S PLAN TO ADDRESS
15 25-MILLION-DOLLAR BUDGET PLACE HOLDER.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I CAN TRY TO READ THIS MOTION
18 IN SUCCINCTLY, BUT THIS IS-- RELATES TO THE SHERIFF'S-- THE
19 PORTION OF THIS THAT I HAVE AN ISSUE WITH THAT I HOPE THE
20 ABOARD HAS AN ISSUE WITH IS THE CONTRACT, THE TELEPHONE
21 CONTRACT FROM THE JAILS. WE HAVE PREVIOUSLY DIRECTED THAT THIS
22 THING GO OUT-- THAT THE TELEPHONE CONTRACT GO OUT TO BID. I
23 THINK IT WAS GENERAL CONSENSUS HERE AT THE BOARD AND AT THE
24 C.E.O.'S OFFICE THAT WE STOOD TO MAKE A LOT MORE MONEY BY
25 PUTTING IT OUT TO BID THAN BY EXTENDING THE CONTRACT WHICH AT



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1 THE TIME THE CONTRACT EXTENSION WAS OFFERED AT \$2 MILLION FOR
2 AN EXTENSION AND WE REJECTED THAT AND WE SAID GO OUT TO BID.
3 FOR WHATEVER REASON, WE'RE BACK HERE AGAIN WITH A PROPOSAL FOR
4 THE MADE BY THE SHERIFF AND THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE CARRYING I
5 GUESS THE PACKAGE DEAL TO THE BOARD THAT THEY WENT-- I ASSUME
6 THAT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WENT BACK TO G.T.L., THE PHONE
7 COMPANY, GOT THEM TO AGREE TO AN EXTENSION OF ONE YEAR,
8 EXTENSION OF \$2 MILLION, AND THAT DEFERS ANY R.F.P., ANY NEW
9 R.F.P. FOR AT LEAST A YEAR. THIS IS A SCANDAL. THIS DEAL IS A
10 SCANDAL. I DON'T WANT TO REPEAT EVERYTHING THAT WENT ON HERE A
11 FEW MONTHS AGO WHEN WE WENT THROUGH THIS THING. THIS COMPANY
12 IS CHARGING MORE MONEY PER MINUTE THAN ANY OTHER TELEPHONE
13 COMPANY IN ANY OTHER JAIL SYSTEM IN THE COUNTRY. THERE'S AN
14 ARMY OF TELEPHONE COMPANY TYPES WHO ARE STANDING IN LINE
15 WAITING TO BID ON THIS, WHO WOULD LOVE TO BID ON THIS AND
16 COMPETE, AND WE ARE STANDING-- IF WE APPROVE THIS, WE WOULD BE
17 STANDING IN THEIR WAY. IF WE APPROVED THIS, INCLUDING THE
18 ELEMENT ON THE G.T.L. CONTRACT. THE G.T.L. CONTRACT SHOULD NOT
19 BE EXTENDED. IF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT NEEDS TO BE MADE
20 WHOLE OF THE \$2 MILLION, MY MOTION PROPOSES TO TAKE THE MONEY
21 FROM THE P.F.U., MAKE THEM WHOLE, REPLENISH THE P.F.U. AFTER
22 WE GO OUT TO BID. IF THE BID TURNS OUT TO PRODUCE MORE OF A
23 SAVINGS, WHICH I WOULD BET MY FIRST BORN IT WILL, WITHOUT ANY
24 QUESTION, SO I KNOW THERE'S A--

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU HAVE A MOTION?

2

3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE A MOTION. I'LL JUST READ THE RESOLVE
4 PART BECAUSE I THINK I JUST GAVE YOU THE PREAMBLE AD-LIB. I
5 MOVE THAT THE C.E.O. INSTRUCTS THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO
6 REAFFIRM THE BOARD'S PREVIOUS DIRECTION TO IMPLEMENT THE
7 C.E.O.'S RECOMMENDATION TO RELEASE AN R.F.P. FOR NEW INMATE
8 TELEPHONE SERVICES CONTRACT AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE. NUMBER
9 TWO, REPORT BACK IN SIX MONTHS WITH AN UPDATE ON STATUS OF THE
10 R.F.P. PROCESS AND TRANSITION INTO A NEW CONTRACT AND, THREE,
11 ALLOCATE \$2 MILLION IN P.F.U. TO MEET THE SHERIFF'S CURTAIL
12 MILITARY REQUIREMENT AS PRESCRIBED IN THE 2009 REPORT UNDER
13 THIS AGENDA ITEM. NUMBER 4, REPLACE THE \$2 MILLION INTO P.F.U.
14 WITH REVENUES GENERATED FROM THE NEW PHONE CONTRACT IF AND
15 WHEN SUCH REVENUES ARE GENERATED SO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
16 IS HELD HARMLESS AS FAR AS THE NUMBERS ARE CONCERNED. THEY CAN
17 PROCEED INTO THIS-- FOR THE REMAINDER OF THIS FISCAL YEAR
18 KNOWING THAT THIS IS THE MONEY THAT'S AVAILABLE. WE REAFFIRM
19 AND HOPEFULLY GET THIS R.F.P. GOING. I HOPE THIS WILL SEND
20 THAT MESSAGE, AND LET'S LET THE CHIPS FALL WHERE THEY MAY. MAY
21 BE G.T.L. WILL COMPETE AND WIN, MAYBE THEY WON'T. THEY CAME IN
22 HERE AT ONE TIME WANTING TO EXTEND A SOLE-SOURCE CONTRACT BY A
23 NUMBER OF YEARS. AT LEAST THEY'RE TAKING IT ONE YEAR AT A TIME
24 NOW. AT LEAST IT'S NOT IN JUSTICE'S BEST INTEREST. WE'RE GOING
25 TO GET SUED. YOU KNOW WE'RE GOING TO GET SUED. I MEAN, I'VE



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1 HAD A LAWYER A MONTH CALL ABOUT THIS THING AND THIS WEEK I'VE
2 HAD SEVERAL LAWYERS CALL. THIS IS JUST AN INDEFENSIBLE KIND OF
3 A CHARGE THAT WE'RE ASSESSING AGAINST THE INMATES. I'M NO FAN
4 OF THE INMATES, BUT I DON'T THINK WE SHOULD USE THEM AS A
5 PIGGY BANK. NO OTHER JAIL SYSTEM IN THE COUNTRY IS DOING THAT
6 AND THAT'S WHY I WANT IT TO GO OUT TO BID. IF IT TURNED OUT
7 \$3.54 FOR THE FIRST MINUTE IS WHAT THE GOING RATE IS, SO BE
8 IT, BUT WE KNOW IT'S NOT, AND WE'LL MAKE MORE MONEY. THAT'S
9 THE WHOLE DARN THING. WE'LL MAKE MORE MONEY BY HAVING A LOWER
10 RATE THAN WE CURRENTLY GET BECAUSE THE NUMBER OF CALLS IS
11 DROPPING OFF BECAUSE FAMILIES AREN'T ACCEPTING COLLECT CALLS
12 AT THESE RATES, ESPECIALLY IN THIS ECONOMY, SO THAT'S MY
13 MOTION, MR. CHAIRMAN.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MOVED AND SECONDED.
16 SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

17

18 **VICTOR VAN PAUL:** VICTOR VAN PAUL FROM THE SHERIFF'S
19 DEPARTMENT. WE, IN JUNE OF 2008, WERE HERE AT THE BOARD. THE
20 BOARD'S DIRECTION WAS WE WOULD NOT EXTEND THE CONTRACT BETWEEN
21 DECEMBER 2010, WE'LL GO OUT TO BID IN THE LATTER PART OF 2009
22 AND HAVE A NEW CONTRACT. WHEN THE BOARD ASKED ALL THE
23 DEPARTMENTS TO LOOK AT THEIR EXISTING CONTRACTS IN A MOTION
24 SIX OR EIGHT WEEKS AGO, WE DID THAT, AND PART OF THE CONTRACTS
25 WAS WE HAD DONE NOTHING BETWEEN JUNE OF 2008 AND THE TIME THE



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1 BOARD HAD THE MOTION TO DO ANY DISCUSSION WITH G.T.L. ABOUT
2 EXTENSIONS, WE'RE MOVING AHEAD WITH THE PLANNING OF THE R.F.P.
3 AND THE PLAN WAS TO PUT THE R.F.P. OUT. WHEN WE CAME BACK AND
4 HAD THE OFFER OF THE \$2 MILLION FROM G.T.L., WE RESPONDED TO
5 THE C.E.O.. THIS IS ON THE TABLE FOR DISCUSSION, C.E.O. WAS
6 GOING TO ANALYZE THAT, THEY WERE GOING TO GET BACK TO US, WE
7 SUBMITTED THE LETTER TO MR. FUJIOKA ABOUT EIGHT OR NINE DAYS
8 AGO AND THE PLAN WAS IF IT WOULD COME FORWARD TO THE BOARD, IT
9 WOULD BOTTOM PART OF THE NORMAL PROCESS THAT YOU HAVE ON YOUR
10 AGENDA EACH WEEK FOR ANY CONTRACT EXTENSIONS. THAT WAS
11 PROBABLY GOING TO BE SOME TIME IN OCTOBER. WE RECOGNIZE THAT
12 THE ISSUE WITH THE RATES IS OUT THERE. WE ALSO RECOGNIZE, AND
13 THE SHERIFF DOES, THAT A LOT OF THINGS HAVE CHANGED IN THE
14 CALENDAR IN 18 MONTHS, AND THIS WAS AN OFFER FROM A COMPANY TO
15 PUT \$2 MILLION INTO OUR WELFARE FUND THE DAY AFTER THE BOARD
16 WOULD APPROVE THAT. IN DOING THAT, WE MADE THE DECISION TO
17 BRING IT FORWARD, TO WORK WITH THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE. IT HAD
18 NOTHING TO DO WITH THE BUDGET RESOLUTION OF THE SHERIFF'S
19 DEPARTMENT, THE 25 MILLION. I KNOW WE'VE GONE BACK AND FORTH,
20 BUT THERE'S A LOT OF CONFUSION AND I'M SURE WE'VE PROBABLY
21 CONFUSED SOME OF THE BOARD OFFICES, BUT THE \$2 MILLION WE
22 WOULD GET FROM THE INMATE-- FOR THE INMATE WELFARE FUND ON THE
23 G.T.L. HAS ABSOLUTELY NOTHING TO DO WITH THE ACTION BEFORE THE
24 BOARD TODAY. WE HAVE ALREADY ADDRESSED THE 25 MILLION. PART OF
25 THAT 25 MILLION, WE MOVE 4 MILLION OUT OF THE INMATE WELFARE



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1 FUND AS PART OF CLOSING THE BOOKS, AND THAT WAS ALREADY TAKEN
2 CARE OF AND THE 25 MILLION IS ALREADY ADDRESSED WITH THE
3 C.A.O. AND THE OFFICES HAVE BEEN BRIEFED ON THAT. THIS \$2
4 MILLION WOULD HAVE BEEN A-- NEW \$2 MILLION WOULD HAVE COME
5 BACK TO THE INMATE WELFARE FUND BUT IS COMPLETELY SEPARATED
6 FROM THE ACTION THE BOARD HAS TAKEN TODAY AS FAR AS ADDRESSING
7 THE SHERIFF'S 25-MILLION-DOLLAR PLAN TO AVOID ANY SERVICE CUTS
8 AND LOOK INTERNALLY AS YOU DIRECTED THE CALIFORNIA TO WORK
9 WITH US TWO MONTHS AGO, WHICH WE DID, AND ADDRESSED THE 25
10 MILLION WITHOUT ANY TYPE OF CUTS TO FIRST LINE SERVICES. SO WE
11 BROUGHT IT BACK. WE ALSO CONSIDERED KNOWING ABOUT THE ISSUE
12 WITH THE BOARD AS FAR AS THE EXTENSION THAT WAS APPROVED OR
13 NOT TO EXTEND IT WAS APPROVED IN JUNE OF 2008. WE ALSO CAME
14 BACK AND FELT THAT IF A COMPANY WAS GOING TO OFFER THE COUNTY
15 OF LOS ANGELES \$2 MILLION, WE SHOULD COMMUNICATE AT LEAST TO
16 THE C.A.O.'S OFFICE, HAVE SOME DISCUSSION WITH THAT, ABSENT
17 SAYING, WELL, WE WON'T SAY ANYTHING ABOUT IT, AND IF IT COMES
18 UP LATER, WE'LL OFFER YOU \$2 MILLION IN CASH, THEN WHY DIDN'T
19 YOU MENTION IT. SO WE SENT IT TO THE C.A.O.'S OFFICE, AND THEY
20 MADE A DECISION WHETHER TO MOVE IT BEFORE THE BOARD.

21
22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IF I CAN JUST FOLLOW UP.

23
24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA REQUESTED. IS THAT
25 RIGHT, ALL RIGHT?



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANKS. THE C.E.O., BACKUP MATERIAL IN THIS
3 ITEM, I JUST WANT TO READ, \$4 MILLION IN FISCAL YEAR '08/'09
4 O.T.I. FROM SPECIAL FUNDS, THIS INFORMATION HAS TO BE-- I
5 WON'T READ THE WHOLE THING. \$4 MILLION OUTFLOW FROM SPECIAL
6 FUNDS IS PARTIALLY MITIGATED BY EXTENDING THE TELEPHONE
7 CONTRACT FOR A YEAR TO BRING AN ADDITIONAL \$2 MILLION INTO THE
8 INMATE WELFARE FUND, SO THERE IS A NEXUS BETWEEN THIS DEAL,
9 THE EXTENSION OF THE CONTRACT AND THE BUDGET. IF YOU DON'T
10 NEED THE \$2 MILLION, I'M HAPPY TO TAKE IT OUT.

11

12 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** LET ME HELP WITH SOMETHING. WHAT YOU READ IS
13 ABSOLUTELY RIGHT. WHEN WE PRESENT THE BUDGET TO YOUR BUDGET
14 DEPUTIES, WE MENTIONED THAT AS PART OF THIS 4 MILLION, A
15 POSSIBLE MITIGATION AS STATED IN WHAT YOU JUST READ WAS THIS
16 CONTRACT. WHAT VICTOR IS SAYING TODAY IS THEY'RE GOING TO,
17 TAKE THIS CONTRACT, IT'S A TOTALLY SEPARATE MATTER, BRING IT
18 TO YOUR BOARD SEPARATELY. THE \$4 MILLION TAKEN FROM THE
19 INMATE'S WELFARE FUND AS PART OF THE 25 MILLION WILL STAND,
20 AND SO AS A SEPARATE ACTION, THE BOARD CAN DECIDE WHETHER OR
21 NOT TO APPROVE THIS TELEPHONE EXTENSION.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO LET ME GET-- BETWEEN JUNE 2008 AND THE
24 PRESENT, WHAT STEPS DID THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TAKE TO
25 PREPARE TO GO OUT TO AN R.F.P. ON THIS CONTRACT?



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2 **SPEAKER:** OUR CONTRACTS UNIT HAS BEEN AWARE OF THIS FOR THE
3 PAST YEAR, IT IS ON THEIR PLANNING. THE PLAN WAS TO HAVE AN
4 R.F.P. ON THE STREET BEFORE THE END OF 2009 FOR-- BECAUSE THE
5 TIME LINE--

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** RIGHT. SO IT'S ALMOST OCTOBER OF 2009. WE'RE
8 A WEEK AWAY FROM OCTOBER. HOW CLOSE WERE YOU TO HAVING THE
9 R.F.P. OUT ON THE STREET?

10

11 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** IF THIS HAD NOT BEEN ADDRESSED IN THE PAST
12 FEW WEEKS, OUR PLAN WAS TO HAVE THE R.F.P. ON THE STREET
13 PROBABLY AT THE END OF 2009, NO LATER THAN EARLY JANUARY 2010
14 BECAUSE WE KNEW WE NEEDED AT LEAST NINE MONTHS TO GET IT
15 BEFORE THE BOARD.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO YOU BELIEVE YOU CAN STILL MEET THAT
18 BECAUSE IT'S ONLY BEEN A FEW WEEKS.

19

20 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** YES, BECAUSE IT'S ONLY COME UP IN THE LAST
21 FEW WEEKS.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT IS THE TOTAL VALUE OF THIS CONTRACT?
24 WHAT IS THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THIS CONTRACT, THE G.T.L.
25 CONTRACT?



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2 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** IT GENERATED ABOUT 14 MILLION A YEAR, THEN WE
3 SPLIT THAT BETWEEN 52 PERCENT

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT IS THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONEY GENERATED
6 ON THE CONTRACT?

7

8 **SPEAKER:** 14 MILLION. NO, NO, NO.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW MUCH MONEY IS GENERATED BY THE CONTRACT,
11 BY THE TELEPHONE CALLS? NOT DO THEY MAKE. HOW MUCH MONEY IS--
12 WHAT'S THE GROSS VALUE OF THE CONTRACT? IT'S NOT 14 MILLION.
13 IT'S 50 OR 60 MILLION, IS IT NOT? THE TOTAL REVENUES-- I'M
14 TALKING ABOUT THE CONTRACT FOR THIS.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** IT'S SPLIT.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO YOU DON'T KNOW AND I DON'T KNOW, SO LET'S
19 JUST DROP IT. SOMETIMES WE ACTUALLY ASK QUESTIONS WE DON'T
20 KNOW THE ANSWERS TO. MOSTLY WE GET AN ANSWER. MR. CHAIRMAN, I
21 WOULD-- I BELIEVE THAT TIME IS WASTING, WE SHOULDN'T WAIT ANY
22 LONGER, WE SHOULD HAVE THEM GO OUT TO BID, FINISH THE R.F.P.
23 AND IF AS YOU SAY THE R.F.P., FOR THE G.T.L. CONTRACT HAS
24 NOTHING TO DO WITH THIS BUDGET ITEM, THEN YOU SHOULD BE GOING
25 FULL SPEED AHEAD TO GET THE R.F.P. DONE BECAUSE YOU HAVE NO



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1 REASON TO BELIEVE THAT THE BOARD WAS GOING TO EXTEND THIS,
2 THIS CONTRACT, SO LET'S JUST GET GOING WITH THE R.F.P. AND, AS
3 WE HAD ASKED THAT BY THE END OF 2009, JANUARY 2010, BE DONE
4 WITH IT AND SOMETIMES WE'LL KNOW WHETHER WE HAD A GOOD DEAL OR
5 A BAD DEAL. THAT'S WHAT THIS MOTION IS INTENDED TO DO.

6

7 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** IT WAS JUST THE LAST TWO WEEKS, WE WAITED TO
8 SEE WHAT THE BOARD ACTION WAS GOING TO BE ON THIS.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. LET'S GET SOME CLARIFICATION. ARE YOUR
13 TELLING ME AT THIS TIME THAT YOU HAVE HELD UP THE R.F.P.? AT
14 THIS POINT IN TIME?

15

16 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** THE R.F.P. IS NOT COMPLETE, BUT--

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** WAIT. THAT'S A DIFFERENT QUESTION. WE KNOW IT'S
19 NOT COMPLETE. I WANT TO UNDERSTAND, HAS THAT MOTION THAT SAID
20 LOOK AT ALL OF YOUR CONTRACTS, DID THAT STOP THE PROCESS OF
21 THE R.F.P.?

22

23 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** NO, IT DOESN'T.

24

25 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO YOU'RE MOVING FORWARD.



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2 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** YES, WE ARE.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT WAS SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED IN DECEMBER.

5

6 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** MY PLAN IS TO HAVE IT OUT IN DECEMBER. WE'LL
7 KNOW PROBABLY IN ABOUT 30 DAYS IF NOTHING CHANGES AS FAR AS--

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, WAIT. NOTHING IS CHANGING YET. NOTHING IS
10 CHANGING.

11

12 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** AND WE WOULD KNOW BY MID OCTOBER, BUT I
13 BELIEVE NOW THAT WE'LL HAVE THE R.F.P. ON THE STREET BY THE
14 END OF DECEMBER 2009.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** BECAUSE THAT WAS THE ACTION OF THIS BOARD. THAT
17 WAS DETERMINED. IN OCTOBER, WE WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO
18 REVIEW NOT THE POTENTIAL OF THIS CONTRACT, BUT ALL THE OTHER
19 CONTRACTS THAT WOULD ASK FOR AN EXTENSION AND THAT WE WOULD
20 PROVIDE US SAVINGS. CORRECT? SO THAT IS A SEPARATE ITEM. NOW,
21 THERE IS NOTHING-- I JUST WANT TO UNDERSTAND THAT, THERE IS
22 NOTHING THAT IN ANY ACTION FROM THAT MOTION THAT WE'RE GOING
23 TO HEAR THE OUTCOME IN OCTOBER THAT IS GOING TO CHANGE AS FAR
24 AS THE ACTION THAT THIS BOARD HAS ALREADY TAKEN DEMANDING THAT
25 THE SHERIFF ISSUE THE R.F.P.. IT'S A TWO-YEAR PROCESS. WE KNOW



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1 HOW THESE THINGS CAN GET DELAYED, BUT RIGHT NOW THERE IS
2 NOTHING. I JUST WANT YOU TO TELL ME THAT. I DON'T WANT YOU TO
3 COME BACK IN OCTOBER AND NOW TELL ME THAT THERE IS A DELAY.

4

5 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** AS OF NOW, THERE'S NO DELAY. WE WOULD HAVE
6 THAT ON THE STREET AT THE END OF DECEMBER.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** THERE IS NOTHING THAT IS STOPPING IT.

9

10 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** BUT I WILL HAVE A REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD BY
11 MID OCTOBER TO ASSURE THAT THAT PROGRESS IS CONTINUING.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. SO THAT THE REPORT BACK, THE SECOND
14 ITEM IN SIX MONTHS WITH AN UPDATE ON THE STATUS, YOU SAID YOU
15 HAVE A REPORT.

16

17 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** I THINK THAT WAS ASSUMING THAT THE R.F.P. WAS
18 RELEASED.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO, I UNDERSTAND, BUT THAT'S WHAT I WANT TO
21 UNDERSTAND. YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE A REPORT AVAILABLE AS TO WHAT
22 THE STATUS OF THE R.F.P. IS.

23

24 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** THE STATUS OF THE R.F.P. DEVELOPMENT IS.

25



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHEN?

2

3 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** WE CAN HAVE THAT IN MID OCTOBER, AS SOON AS
4 WE FIND OUT THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE R.F.P..

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND SO AS FAR AS IF THE R.F.P. IS ISSUED OR
7 DETERMINED TO BE ISSUED AT THAT TIME, I TAKE IT THAT WITHIN
8 SIX MONTHS, I MEAN, WE WOULD WANT TO MAKE A REQUEST THAT IN
9 SIX MONTHS YOU TELL US WHAT THE STATUS OF THE R.F.P. IS.
10 RIGHT?

11

12 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** ABSOLUTELY. IF THE R.F.P. DOES GO OUT, WE
13 NEED ENOUGH TIME TO DO ALL THE EVALUATIONS, ALL THE
14 COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE C.E.O. AND YOUR OFFICES AND NOT RUN UP
15 AGAINST THE DEADLINE OF DECEMBER.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, EXCUSE ME. MY ASSUMPTION IS, CORRECT ME AND
18 CORRECT ME IF I AM WRONG, THAT WHEN THE BOARD ASKS YOU TO DO
19 THE R.F.P., AND YOU SAID IT WOULD TAKE TWO YEARS, THAT YOU
20 WORK BACKWARDS FROM THE DATE THAT WE WANTED IT DONE, SO THAT
21 THERE IS NOTHING RIGHT NOW THAT IS STOPPING IT FROM MOVING
22 FORWARD TO ISSUE AND TO PROCURE A NEW CONTRACT UNDER THE
23 R.F.P. PROCESS.

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1 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** NOTHING, SUPERVISOR, IS STOPPING US FROM
2 MOVING FORWARD.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** BECAUSE I KEEP HEARING A LITTLE BIT OF
5 RESERVATION AND I WANT TO JUST GET THIS CLARIFICATION. NOW, ON
6 THE \$2 MILLION, LET ME UNDERSTAND THE MONEY BECAUSE I THINK WE
7 NEED THAT CLARIFICATION. UNDER THE \$25 MILLION PROPOSAL THAT
8 THE SHERIFF HAD TO MITIGATE, AND I APPRECIATE THE SHERIFF
9 DOING IT, I WAS A LITTLE TOUGH ON HIM THE LAST TIME, SO YOU
10 MIGHT LET HIM KNOW THAT I APPRECIATE THE WORK THAT HE DID
11 HERE, BECAUSE HE DID ADDRESS THIS WISH. ADDRESS THIS ISSUE.
12 THE 2 MILLION CAME OUT OF THE INMATE WELFARE FUND.

13

14 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** A TOTAL OF \$4 MILLION CAME FROM THE INMATE
15 WELFARE FUND. WE SHARED INFORMATION WITH EACH OF YOUR--

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** AGAIN. IT'S 4 MILLION.

18

19 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IT WAS 4 MILLION.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND THAT OPTION HAS BEEN TAKEN.

22

23 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THAT HAS BEEN TAKEN.

24



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** THERE ANYTHING IN THIS BUDGET ITEM AS IS THAT
2 SOMEHOW INTERPRET THAT IS SUPPOSED TO BE MADE UP IN ANY WAY?

3

4 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NO.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** NOTHING. AGAIN, THAT'S WHY I'M TRYING TO GET TO
7 THE BOTTOM LINE OF IT. THERE IS A NOTATION SOMEWHERE THAT IT
8 WAS TO BE MITIGATED, AND I JUST WANT THAT CLARIFICATION THAT
9 WAS AN INTENT, BUT UNDER THIS PROPOSAL OF THE \$25 MILLION
10 SOLUTION, THAT IS NOT THE INTENT HERE. THE 4 MILLION TO
11 RESOLVE THE 25 MILLION WILL BE TAKEN BY THE INMATE FUND. NOW,
12 WE DON'T CONTROL THIS FUND. THERE'S ONLY ONE PERSON WHO DOES
13 THAT, AND THAT'S THE SHERIFF HIMSELF. I GUESS WE'VE MADE
14 REQUESTS IN THE PAST AND SOMETIMES THAT DOESN'T ALWAYS HAPPEN,
15 SO IS IT CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD BY THE SHERIFF AND HIS BUDGET
16 PEOPLE THAT 4 MILLION HAS BEEN TAKEN FROM THE INMATE WELFARE
17 FUND TO RESOLVE THE 25 MILLION AND THAT THERE IS NO INTENT
18 THAT THIS BOARD IS TO REPLENISH THAT AMOUNT?

19

20 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** THE \$4 MILLION WAS TRANSFERRED FROM THE
21 INMATE WELFARE FUND TO THE GENERAL FUND PRIOR TO THE CLOSE OF
22 BOOKS, SO IT SHOWED UP AS A GENERAL FUND DOLLARS AMOUNTS.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO IT'S BEEN TO BE DONE.

25



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1 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** IT'S BEEN DONE, SUPERVISOR.

2

3 **SUP. MOLINA:** IS THERE ANY INTENT UNDER THIS BUDGET PROPOSAL
4 THAT IS BEFORE US TODAY THAT INTENDS TO REPLENISH 4 MILLION OR
5 ANY PART OF THE 4 MILLION BACK INTO--

6

7 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** NO. NOTHING.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT CLARIFICATION IS IMPORTANT. SO THEN THE LAST
10 ITEM ON HERE THAT I WANT A CLARIFICATION IS-- WELL, IT'S THE
11 REPLACEMENT OF THE 2 MILLION TO THE P.F.U. WE DIDN'T TAKE IT
12 OUT OF THE P.F.U. RIGHT? WE TOOK IT OUT OF THE INMATE WELFARE
13 FUND.

14

15 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** GIVEN WHAT WAS CLARIFIED TODAY, THAT \$2
16 MILLION IS NO LONGER NECESSARY. OUR OFFICE ADDED TO THE
17 CONFUSION--

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA:** BECAUSE OF THE OCTOBER PROPOSAL. THERE'S NO
20 OFFSET ON THAT BECAUSE WE HAVEN'T TAKEN ANY OF THAT ACTION, IT
21 IS NOT ASSUMED IN THIS BUDGET PROPOSAL.

22

23 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IT IS NOT ASSUMED IN IT. WHEN WE FIRST COUPLED
24 THE TELEPHONE, THE POTENTIAL TELEPHONE EXTENSION WITH THAT
25 POTENTIAL FOR \$2 MILLION SAVINGS, THAT ADDED TO THE CONFUSION



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1 WITH THE SHERIFF'S STAFF HAS DONE TODAY IS DECOUPLED THAT, AND
2 SO THAT THE TELEPHONE CONTRACT WILL COME IN TOTALLY SEPARATE,
3 IT WILL HAVE NO IMPACT ON THE \$4 MILLION THAT HAS ALREADY BEEN
4 TRANSFERRED FROM THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET TO THE GENERAL FUND.
5 FOUR MILLION IS HERE, IT'S PART OF THE \$25 MILLION, THE
6 TELEPHONE CONTRACT ISSUE, OTHER THAN WE'LL GO FORWARD WITH THE
7 R.F.P. ON THE TELEPHONE CONTRACT ISSUE, THAT THAT EXTENSION
8 PROPOSAL AT THIS TIME IS OFF THE TABLE, IT'S NOT--

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** WAIT. YOU CAN'T SAY THAT. YOU CAN'T SAY THAT
11 BECAUSE--

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT'S OFF THE TABLE?

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** BECAUSE THE OPTION OF THEM BRINGING IT TO US IS
16 AVAILABLE TO THEM, BUT THAT'S WHY I WANTED TO CLARIFY.

17

18 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I'M SAYING TODAY, TODAY, THE TELEPHONE
19 EXTENSION, AND WITH THAT THE POTENTIAL OF \$2 MILLION IS NOT ON
20 THE TABLE. THEY'VE TOLD YOU VERY CLEARLY OF THEIR INTENT TO GO
21 FORWARD WITH AN R.F.P..

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S WHAT I WANT. JUST SO THAT-- YES, THE
24 R.F.P. IS GOING TO BE ISSUED, YES, IT'S GOING TO BE TIMELY,
25 IT'S GOING TO BE DONE, THERE IS NOTHING IN THIS ACTION OR WHAT



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1 WE ARE DOING TODAY OR IN THE OCTOBER POTENTIAL ACTION THAT IS
2 GOING TO DELAY THAT R.F.P. FROM GOING OUT AS THE ACTION TAKEN
3 HERE. THE OTHER ISSUE IS OF COURSE NOW THE ISSUE OF THE \$2
4 MILLION, WHICH IS ACTUALLY \$4 MILLION THAT FIXED THE 25-
5 MILLION-DOLLAR PROBLEM, WAS TAKEN OUT OF THE INMATE WELFARE
6 FUND, AND THERE IS NO INTENT WHATSOEVER UNDER THIS PROPOSAL TO
7 RESTORE THE \$4 MILLION OR \$2 MILLION TO THE INMATE WELFARE
8 FUND. THOSE ARE ASSURANCES THAT THIS HAS NOT DONE IT. NOW,
9 IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING, AND THIS IS THE LAST CLARIFICATION I
10 WANT TO MAKE, THAT THEY, LIKE EVERY OTHER DEPARTMENT, HAS
11 LOOKED AT THEIR CONTRACTS, AND I TAKE IT WOULD BE DISCUSSING
12 IT WITH THEIR PEOPLE THAT THEY COULD ASK FOR AN EXTENSION
13 UNDER I THINK THE PROPOSAL, AND I'M SURE IF ALL OF THEM IS A
14 ONE MILLION, SOME OF THEM ARE, I DON'T KNOW, I DON'T REMEMBER
15 EXACTLY, BUT THAT THERE HAS TO BE SAVINGS. IF WE EXTEND THE
16 CONTRACT FOR A YEAR, TELL US WHAT THE SAVINGS ARE GOING TO BE
17 AND IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT UNDER SEPARATE COVER, WE ARE
18 GOING TO BE APPROVING THESE ITEMS. ARE ANY OF THOSE SAVINGS
19 RIGHT NOW PROPOSED IN THE BUDGET? ARE THEY BUDGET SOLUTIONS?
20 NONE.

21

22 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NOT AT THIS TIME.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** PARTICULARLY IN THE SHERIFFS, THERE'S NONE. SO AS
25 I UNDERSTAND, YOU ARE ENTITLED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE EXERCISE



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1 OF OCTOBER, BUT THERE SHOULD BE NOTHING THAT YOU SHOULD BE
2 TELLING THE CONTRACTOR TODAY THAT THERE IS ANY ASSURANCE, AND
3 I THINK AT THAT POINT IN TIME, I THINK WE REALLY NEED TO HAVE
4 ALL THE WHO, WHAT, WHERE, WHY AND WHEN OF THIS CONTRACT, HOW
5 MUCH IS IT BRINGING IN, NOT JUST TO YOU ALL BUT TO THE
6 COMPANY, AND, YOU KNOW, EXACTLY HOW IS THIS MONEY UTILIZED AND
7 WHAT WOULD BE A FAIR AVERAGE PRICE. IT'S AN ONGOING DEBATE ALL
8 THE TIME AND IT COMES HERE AND IT GETS-- THERE'S A LOT OF
9 NUMBERS THAT FLY ALL OVER THE PLACE, SO I'D LIKE TO KNOW THAT
10 AT THAT POINT IN TIME IN OCTOBER. SO I DON'T WANT TO PRECLUDE
11 THEM FROM PARTICIPATING ON ANY OF YOUR CONTRACTS, BY THE WAY,
12 ON THIS ISSUE, BUT I DON'T WANT ANYTHING IN TODAY'S ACTIONS
13 THAT TAKES THIS MONEY INTO ACCOUNT, THAT PREVENTS THE R.F.P.
14 FROM GOING OUT AS SCHEDULED AND THAT THINKS THAT ANYBODY IS
15 GOING TO GET THE REPLENISHMENT IN THE WELFARE-- IN THE INMATE
16 WELFARE FUND, SO THOSE ARE ALL ASSURANCES YOU'RE GIVING ME,
17 I'VE SAID IT AT LEAST 62 TIMES, SO I HOPE THEY DON'T COME BACK
18 IN OCTOBER AND DO SOMETHING THAT TELLS US OTHERWISE.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I DON'T THINK YOU REALLY NEED A MOTION,
21 BUT ELIMINATE THREE OR FOUR.

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I THINK, IF I MAY, AGREE WITH YOUR
24 SENTIMENT, MR. CHAIRMAN, AS EXPLAINED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. I
25 THINK ALL OF US REALIZE THAT ON JUNE THE 9TH, THERE WAS A



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1 MOTION THAT WAS UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED THAT ESSENTIALLY DIRECTED
2 THE C.E.O. TO BRING ALL THE CONTRACT EXTENSIONS BACK TO US FOR
3 A CONSIDERATION AND THE APPROPRIATE REPORT BACK IN THIS
4 POSITION. I SEE NO REASON WHY WE SHOULD BREAK THIS OFF IN ANY
5 WAY OR-- BUT, IN FACT, TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THIS DISCUSSION
6 AS WE ENGAGE IN THE DELIBERATIONS THAT WILL NECESSARILY TAKE
7 PLACE IN OCTOBER. MANY OF US ARE VERY ANXIOUS TO HEAR WHAT THE
8 C.E.O. HAS TO SAY ABOUT WHAT HAS BEEN FULFILLED PURSUANT TO
9 THE INTENT OF THAT MOTION ON THE 9TH. I SEE THIS AS BEING A
10 PIECE OF THAT AND PERHAPS INSTRUCTIVE AS TO WHAT SAVINGS CAN
11 BE REALIZED IN TERMS OF SMART MANAGEMENT AND THE APPROPRIATE
12 INCENTIVES THAT WOULD BE PUT IN PLACE. THAT WAS UNANIMOUSLY
13 ADOPTED BY THE BOARD. IT WOULD SEEM TO ME ANYTHING OTHER THAN
14 THAT WOULD BE PERHAPS PREMATURE, AND SO I WOULD ASSOCIATE MY
15 COMMENTS WITH THE EXPRESSIONS OF SUPERVISOR MOLINA BUT MORE TO
16 POINT, WHILE THIS CONVERSATION IS ILLUMINATING, IS TO INFORM
17 WHAT WE DO WHEN IT COMES BACK AS WAS PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IN THE COMPETITIVE PROCESS. SECOND
20 EXCLUSION, CONTRACTS FOR YOUR DEPARTMENT HAS IDENTIFIED
21 CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE ISSUES WITH THE CURRENT CONTRACTOR.
22 BOTH OF THOSE APPLY IN THIS CASE. THERE IS AMPLE EVIDENCE THAT
23 THE C.E.O., MR. FUJIOKA HIMSELF IN 2008 WHEN THIS FIRST CAME
24 UP MADE THE STATEMENT THAT THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT GOING OUT
25 TO BID WILL YIELD MORE REVENUE TO US THAN THE QUINTERO



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1 CONTRACT OR THE EXTENSION THAT WAS BEFORE US AT THE TIME AND A
2 BUNCH OF OTHER PEOPLE SAID THE SAME THING. SECONDLY, THERE IS
3 AN ABUNDANCE OF CONTRACTOR ISSUES WITH THIS CONTRACTOR. YOU
4 KNOW IT, I KNOW IT, THE WHOLE WORLD KNOWS IT. TO NOT
5 ACKNOWLEDGE THAT IS MORE THAN AN OVERSIGHT, TO PUT IT MILDLY.
6 YOU HAVE TWO ISSUES HERE THAT QUALIFY AS EXCLUSIONS FROM THE
7 CONTRACT EXTENSION PROGRAM. THE CONTRACT EXTENSION PROGRAM WAS
8 DESIGNED TO SAVE US MONEY OR MAKE US MONEY, NOT TO EXTEND
9 EXISTING CONTRACTORS UNDER SOME FIG LEAF THAT THEY WERE GOING
10 TO SAVE US A PITTANCE AND GET US A TWO, THREE, FOUR-YEAR
11 TENSION. YOU CAN BRING IT BACK HOWEVER YOU WANT TO DO IT. I
12 WANT TO BE SURE THAT THIS THING THAT YOU ARE MOVING FORWARD
13 FULL SPEED AHEAD ON THE CONTRACTING OUT TO PUT OUT AN R.F.P.
14 ON THIS CONTRACT, AND YOUR TESTIMONY IS YOU ARE MOVING FORWARD
15 FULL SPEED AHEAD. IS THAT CORRECT?

16

17 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** WE'RE MOVING FORWARD ON THE REQUEST FOR
18 PROPOSAL. ONLY THING THAT WOULD CHANGE THAT MOVING FORWARD
19 WOULD BE SOME ACTION BY THE BOARD TO TAKE--

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WE HAVE A LETTER FROM THE SHERIFF THIS
22 MORNING THAT HE'S OPPOSED TO GOING OUT TO BID ON THIS.

23

24 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** HE'S CONCERNED ABOUT A NUMBER OF THINGS, THE
25 RATES.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I UNDERSTAND THAT. YOU ARTICULATED THAT
3 QUITE CLEARLY.

4

5 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** HE FEELS THIS ISSUE WITH THE PROPOSAL FROM
6 G.T.L. IS REALLY FOR A SEPARATE DISCUSSION AND HE, I THINK,
7 ASSUMES IT. IN OCTOBER, HE WOULD BE OVER HERE, IF WE BRING IT
8 BACK AFTER TALKING FURTHER WITH THE C.E.O., THAT HE WOULD BE
9 HERE TO DISCUSS THIS, IF IT'S BROUGHT BACK BEFORE THE BOARD.
10 THE R.F.P. PROCESS WILL CONTINUE.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND YOU WILL BE READY TO ISSUE THE REARVIEW
13 MIRROR BY DECEMBER?

14

15 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** OUR TARGET WAS THE END OF DECEMBER BECAUSE WE
16 NEEDED A TIME FRAME TO NOT COME BACK TO THE BOARD--

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THOUGHT THE TARGET WAS THE END OF THE
19 YEAR. EARLY DECEMBER, YOU THINK?

20

21 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** WE WILL HAVE, BY MID OCTOBER, SO YOU KNOW
22 WE'RE ON TRACK SO THERE WILL BE NO SURPRISES IN DECEMBER, BUT
23 MOST IMPORTANT THING, IF THE R.F.P. GOES FORWARD, WE DON'T
24 WANT TO COME IN HERE IN NOVEMBER, OCTOBER 2010 AND SAY, HEY,
25 WE HAVE 30 DAYS TO MAKE A DECISION, BUT WE CAN'T DO THAT



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1 BECAUSE THERE WILL BE A TRANSITION PERIOD, IF WE HAVE A NEW
2 VENDOR, IT DOESN'T DISAPPEAR AT DAY ONE. THEY'RE GOING TO BE
3 WORKING TOGETHER FOR A FEW MONTHS TO GET EVERYTHING IN PLACE.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO YOU ARE MAKING NO ASSUMPTIONS AS TO
6 CONTRACT EXTENSIONS.

7

8 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** WE HAVE TO CONTINUE WITH OUR CONTRACTUAL
9 PROCESS ABSENT ANYTHING--

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU ARE NOT ASSUMING THERE WILL BE AN
12 TENSION OF THE CONTRACT BEYOND ITS CURRENT TERM.

13

14 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** NO, WE'RE NOT ASSUMING ANYTHING. WE'VE
15 RESPONDED TO THE BOARD'S DIRECTION TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO
16 THE CONTRACTOR, HAVE DISCUSSION WITH THE SALES OFFICE AND MAKE
17 THE ASSESSMENT OF WHETHER WE BRING IT FORWARD TO THE BOARD.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO MR. FUJIOKA, ONE THING I DON'T
20 UNDERSTAND, HOW IS IT THAT THE IMPRESSION WAS LEFT AROUND TOWN
21 THAT THIS DEAL WAS PREDICATED ON THE EXTENSION OF ONE YEAR AND
22 THE \$2 MILLION FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, INCLUDING
23 DOCUMENTS THAT WERE CONTAINED IN THE WORKING DOCUMENTS IN YOUR
24 SHOP?

25



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1 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IT WAS PART OF THE INITIAL DISCUSSION AND AT
2 ONE POINT IN TIME, THE DEPARTMENT DECIDED TO SEPARATE THE TWO
3 ISSUES AND TO DISCUSS ANY POTENTIAL EXTENSION AS A SEPARATE
4 MATTER. AS VICTOR HAD MENTIONED, \$4 MILLION INMATE WELFARE
5 FUND IS ALREADY PART OF OUR BUDGET. IT CAME AT YEAR END, AND
6 SO AS PART OF A WAY TO ADDRESS THE IMPACT OF THAT \$4 MILLION
7 COMING TO THE INMATE AND WELFARE FUND, AN IDEA WAS PUT ON THE
8 TABLE THAT INCLUDED THE POSSIBLE EXTENSION OF THIS CONTRACT.
9 SINCE THEN, AS VICTOR HAS CLEARLY STATED, THESE TWO ITEMS HAVE
10 BEEN DECOUPLED. THEY ARE NOT PART-- THEY'RE NOT PART OF EACH
11 OTHER'S ACTIONS, SO THE CONTRACT EXTENSION WILL BE, IF AT ALL,
12 GIVEN WHAT I'VE HEARD TODAY IS UNLIKELY, BUT WILL BE HANDLED
13 AS A TOTALLY SEPARATE MATTER. IT DOES NOT IMPACT THE \$4
14 MILLION.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHEN WILL IT BE DECOUPLED, VICTOR?

17

18 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** WHEN WE HAD OUR FIRST DISCUSSIONS ABOUT THE
19 25 MILLION IN SUBSEQUENT DISCUSSIONS, AT THE TIME WE SETTLED
20 ON THE 25 MILLION, IT WAS ALMOST THE SAME DAY WE GOT THE WORD
21 FROM G.T.L. THAT THE CONTRACT EXTENSION WOULD BE FOR TWO
22 MILLION, SO WHEN THOSE CONVERSATIONS WE WERE SAYING, WELL, IF
23 YOU LOSE FOUR MILLION OUT OF THE INMATE WELFARE, THERE'S A
24 POTENTIAL WE MAY GET TWO MILLION BACK IN, SO IT'S ONLY A NET
25 TWO, SO I THINK WHAT HAPPENED, BECAUSE IT HAPPENED TOGETHER



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1 SIMULTANEOUSLY, IT ALL GOT INTO ONE DISCUSSION THAT TWO
2 MILLION WAS PART OF THE 25 MILLION, AND IT NEVER WAS. THIS
3 HAPPENED ALMOST AT THE SAME MOMENT, SUPERVISOR.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU HAVE-- IS THE CONVERSATION THE SHERIFF'S
6 DEPARTMENT HAS HAD WITH G.T.L. THE EXTENSION THE OFFER THEY
7 HAVE MADE TO THE COUNTY, TO THE SHERIFF, IS THAT JUST AN
8 OFFER?

9

10 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** NO. A CORRECTION ON THAT. THE OFFER IS \$2
11 MILLION FOR TWO YEARS, NOT ONE YEAR, AND IT WAS COMMUNICATED
12 TO THE-- THAT'S WHAT THE OFFER WAS.

13

14 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** BUT IN ANSWER TO HIS QUESTION, ONLY AN OFFER
15 THAT HAS NOT BEEN AGREED TO, THERE'S NO FORMAL AGREEMENT TO
16 THAT, SO THAT CONTRACT IS, AT THIS POINT IN TIME, IS NOT BEING
17 EXTENDED.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT WAS JUST AN OFFER, RIGHT? I WANT TO MAKE
20 SURE WE HAVE NO IMPLIED COMMITMENTS TO THEM.

21

22 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** NO. THEY UNDERSTOOD THAT ANY ACTION IN TERMS
23 OF ACCEPTING THAT \$TWO MILLION HAD TO BE DISCUSSED WITH THE
24 C.A.O. AND HAD TO BE APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
25 THEY KNEW THAT WHEN WE WENT BACK.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE DOCUMENT I HAD FROM THE C.E.O.S OFFICE
3 SAID IT WAS ONE YEAR, THE SAME WORKING DOCUMENT, SO IT MAY
4 HAVE ALSO CHANGED.

5

6 **VICTOR RAMPULLA:** TWO YEARS ARE FOR THE RECORD.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I APPRECIATE THE CORRECTION. MR. CHAIRMAN,
9 IN LIGHT OF THAT, I'LL WITHDRAW MY MOTION, AS LONG AS WE
10 UNDERSTAND THAT YOU'RE MOVING FORWARD AND YOU'RE GOING TO BE
11 PREPARED IN DECEMBER TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE R.F.P..

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I SUGGESTED THAT 30 MINUTES AGO.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WE DIDN'T KNOW ALL THAT 30 MINUTES AGO.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THE MOTION WILL BE WITHDRAWN. I
18 JUST, WITH ALL DUE RESPECT, I WOULD ADD THAT I THINK THAT WE
19 DID SEND A VERY MIXED SIGNAL IN THAT WE HAD QUITE A DISCUSSION
20 ABOUT CONTRACTS AND GOING TO THE CONTRACTOR TO DO SO WHAT WE
21 COULD OR COULD NOT GET FOR EXTENSIONS, SO AT LEAST IT WASN'T
22 ANYTHING THEY DID ON THEIR OWN. CERTAINLY A DIRECTION OF THIS
23 BOARD.

24

25 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** CAN WE RECEIVE AND FILE THIS ITEM, PLEASE?



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY,
3 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
4 ORDERED.

5

6 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NEXT IS ITEM 45.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'RE FIVE AWAY FROM ITEM 50. HANG ON.

9

10 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE'RE CLOSE. I THINK AUDITOR-CONTROLLER STAFF
11 IS NOT HERE, BUT IS A REQUEST TO APPROVE THE FINAL BUDGET
12 ADJUSTMENT FOR 2008/2009.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CAN WE DO THAT BEFORE WE GO THROUGH ALL
15 THE REST?

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO, WE CAN'T.

18

19 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES.

20

21 **DEBBIE LIZZARI:** YOU HAVE TO CLOSE THE BOOKS FOR LAST YEAR.

22

23 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THIS IS FOR LAST YEAR.

24



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OH, THIS IS '08/'09. WE HAVE TO CLOSE
2 THE BOOKS ON THE--

3

4 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I WOULD MOVE THE RECOMMENDATION,
7 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
8 ORDERED.

9

10 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NEXT IT OUR ITEM 46, PLEASE, IS A
11 CLASSIFICATION LETTER THAT'S ALLOCATED POSITIONS PREVIOUSLY
12 APPROVED BY YOUR BOARD AND FINAL CHANGE. IT'S JUST A CLEAN-UP
13 ACTION. I ASK FOR APPROVAL, PLEASE.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** A COUPLE OF QUICK QUESTIONS. THE COST OF
16 POSITIONS BEING RECOMMENDED IN THE BUDGET FOR D.P.S., HAVE A
17 NET COUNTY COST OF 9 PERCENT, FOR FUTURE WORKERS' COMP, ANNUAL
18 LACERA CONTRIBUTION, RETIREE HEALTHCARE. WHILE THE ITEMS ARE
19 REVENUE OFFSET, THEY'RE NOT REALLY FREE. IS THAT CORRECT?

20

21 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NO. WE DO PAY A PERCENTAGE FOR ALL OF OUR
22 SAVING COSTS, WHETHER IT'S POSITIONS OR REAL ESTATE OR
23 ANYTHING.

24



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO I THINK IT WOULD BE FAIR IF WE COULD
2 GET A BETTER HANDLE ON WHAT THAT 9 PERCENT LONG-TERM
3 REPRESENTS TO US AT SOME POINT. I MEAN, WE CAN GO AHEAD AND
4 MOVE ON THE ITEM, BUT THERE'S CONCERN WITH THE NEW PUBLIC
5 HEALTH EMPLOYEES ITEMS THAT ARE BEING RECOMMENDED HERE TODAY,
6 WHAT WILL THE NET COUNTY COST IMPLICATIONS BE FOR THOSE AS
7 WELL?

8

9 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE CAN SUBMIT A SEPARATE REPORT ON THAT.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WITH THAT, IS THERE A MOTION?
12 MOVED SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, SECONDED BY
13 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

14

15 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NEXT WE HAVE ITEM 47, IT'S A D.H.S. LETTER TO
16 APPROVE THE FINAL CLOSING BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS FROM FISCAL YEAR
17 2008/2009. AGAIN, THIS IS FOR LAST YEAR, PLEASE.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THIS IS FOR LAST YEAR. WE DO HAVE TWO
20 SPEAKERS, JOSHUA RUTKOFF AND MARIA HERNANDEZ. ARE YOU STILL
21 HERE?

22

23 **MARIA HERNANDEZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO
24 BE HERE. MY NAME IS MARIA HERNANDEZ, AND I WORK AS A STATE
25 REGISTERED NURSE AT A.T.E. HEALTH CENTER. ON BEHALF OF MY



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1 COLLEAGUES AND MY PATIENTS, AS WELL AS THE 8,500 MEMBERS OF
2 S.E.I.U. LOCAL 721, I CALL ON YOUR BOARD TO PROTECT PUBLIC
3 HEALTHCARE SERVICES AT OUR COUNTY CLINIC. MANY QUESTIONS
4 PERSIST REGARDING THE PROPOSAL TO PRIVATIZE GLENDALE HEALTH
5 CENTER, BUT ONE THING IS GUARANTEED. IF YOU TURN OVER THE
6 CLINIC TO A PRIVATE OPERATOR, THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PATIENT
7 AND THE PROVIDERS WILL BE SEVERED FOREVER. MANY OF OUR
8 PATIENTS ARE SENIORS AND FIRST GENERATION IMMIGRANTS. NOTHING
9 IN MEDICINE IS MORE SACRED THAN THE RELATIONSHIP AND TRUST
10 BETWEEN PATIENT, THE DOCTOR, NURSES AND OTHER HEALTHCARE STAFF
11 WHO CARE FOR THEM. WE SHOULDN'T LET A PRIVATE BUREAUCRACY COME
12 BETWEEN US AND OUR PATIENTS. YOU HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT
13 DISRUPTING OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH OUR PATIENTS SINCE FEBRUARY.
14 TODAY'S BUDGET PROVIDES FUNDING FOR THE YEAR AHEAD. WITH NO
15 FISCAL COMPARATIVE TO PRIVATIZED HEALTHCARE, YOUR BOARD SHOULD
16 INSTEAD FORGE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH US TO CONTINUE TO ENHANCE
17 AND TO REPLICATE THE VITAL AND EXCELLENT OPERATION WE BUILT
18 THERE. OUR CLINIC REPRESENTS THE KIND OF CULTURAL COMPETENT
19 MODEL, MEDICAL HOME WHICH WILL BECOME THE INDUSTRY STANDARD.
20 AS WE READY OURSELVES FOR A NEW ENVIRONMENT UNDER THE
21 HEALTHCARE REFORM, INSTEAD OF TAKING PIECEMEAL RISK BY
22 REPLACING A MODEL PUBLIC CLINIC WITH A PRIVATE--
23
24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. IF YOU CAN WRAP IT UP. YOUR
25 TIME IS EXPIRED. OKAY?



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2 **MARIA HERNANDEZ:** OKAY. THANK YOU FOR LISTENING.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. OKAY. THE ITEM, THEN, IS
5 BEFORE US. THIS IS FOR LAST YEAR. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
6 THOMAS, SECONDED BY THE CHAIR. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
7 ITEM 48.

8

9 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** ITEM 48, WE PRESENTED A RECOMMENDATION AND A
10 TRANSFER OF \$60,205,000 TO BE ALLOCATED TO EACH BOARD OFFICE
11 BASED ON THE ORIGINAL ALLOCATION OF ONGOING-- IT'S PROPOSITION
12 62 FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROVED BY YOUR BOARD.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. SUPERVISOR
15 RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOU HAD A MOTION?

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. I'M PLEASED TO
18 BRING THIS BEFORE YOU. THE MATTER OF THE UTILITY USER TAX IS
19 ONE THAT'S WELL KNOWN TO US AS IT RELATES TO IMPROVING THE
20 QUALITY OF LIFE FOR THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF OUR RESPECTIVE
21 DISTRICTS, AND TO THAT END, I WOULD MOVE THAT THE BOARD DIRECT
22 THE C.E.O. TO TRANSFER \$90,307,000 FROM THE DESIGNATION FOR
23 LOCAL TAXES TO THE PROVISIONAL FINANCING UNIT BUDGET AND
24 ALLOCATE THE FUNDS USING THE ORIGINAL PERCENT OUT ALLOCATIONS
25 THAT WERE APPLIED TO THE 65 MILLION AND ONGOING FUNDS THAT



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1 WERE INITIALLY ALLOCATED TO EACH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT IN
2 FISCAL YEAR 2005 THROUGH 2006.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S ROUGHLY 50 PERCENT. IS THAT
5 CORRECT?

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THAT WOULD BE CORRECT, MR. CHAIR.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED AND SECONDED.

10

11 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THAT IS 50 PERCENT, BUT IF I CAN JUST
12 INTERJECT SOMETHING, AND I RECOGNIZE THE NEED, I'VE DISCUSSED
13 THIS WITH EACH OFFICE AND THE NEED AND WHAT THE BENEFIT IS,
14 THESE FUNDS CAN PROVIDE. WE'RE AT AN UNPRECEDENTED TIME, I
15 THINK, IN NOT ONLY A LOCAL ECONOMY BUT ALSO THE STATE AND
16 NATIONAL ECONOMY. WE LOOKED AT THIS ISSUE VERY, VERY
17 CAREFULLY, AND WE FELT THAT AT THIS JUNCTURE, ONE-THIRD WAS A
18 REASONABLE AMOUNT IN LIGHT OF OUR CHALLENGES FOR-- THAT WE MAY
19 FACE WITH THE UPCOMING FISCAL YEAR AND THAT WE LOOK AT THIS
20 CAREFULLY BECAUSE THIS MAY BE -- THIS MONEY MAY BE NEEDED AS
21 WE GET INTO ANOTHER DIFFICULT YEAR.

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IF I MAY, WE TAKE NOTE OF
24 THE WISDOM OF THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE AND THAT PARTICULAR
25 PERSPECTIVE. IT IS ESSENTIALLY WHY THIS 50 PERCENT RATHER THAN



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1 100 PERCENT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN, AND I WOULD SO
2 MOVE.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I WAS ABOUT TO ADD THE SAME POINT.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** HE PUNCTUATES THE SAME POINT, MR. C.E.O..

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MOVED AND SECONDED. ANY
9 OBJECTIONS?

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES, I OBJECT.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ONE "NO" VOTE, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.
14 ITEM PASSES 4-1. OKAY. THIS IS ITEM 49, THEN WE'LL JUMP TO 51.
15 THAT WAS A JOKE. THAT WAS A JOKE, OKAY? WE'LL JUST MAKE IT UP.
16 OKAY?

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18 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE ASK FOR YOUR APPROVAL, IT'S A LETTER FROM
19 THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER ASKING FOR BOARD APPROVAL OF A
20 RESOLUTION SUPPLEMENTING THE FISCAL YEAR '09/'10 BUDGET WITH A
21 FISCAL YEAR, THE PRIOR YEAR, FISCAL YEAR 2008/2009 FUND
22 BALANCE. THIS MUST BE APPROVED BEFORE YOU MOVE INTO THE MAIN
23 ITEM.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DEBBIE, DO WE HAVE ANY LAST WILL AND
2 TESTAMENT COMMENTS?

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4 **DEBBIE LIZZARI:** [LAUGHTER.] I RECOMMEND THAT YOU APPROVE IT.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OH, IS THAT RIGHT? OKAY. JUST WANTED TO
7 HEAR THAT. ALL RIGHT. ALL RIGHT. SO THE ITEM IS BEFORE US.
8 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, THE CHAIR WILL SECOND IT.
9 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. OKAY. ITEM 52.

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11 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** PUBLIC COMMENT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'M KIDDING. I EVEN GOT THEM CONCERNED
14 UP HERE. ALL RIGHT. I GUESS WE DON'T HAVE ANYBODY SIGNED UP.
15 HERE WE GO. WE'RE GOING TO-- YOU NEED TO SET THE STAGE, OR
16 SHOULD WE JUST CALL THE SPEAKERS UP? THEY'VE WAITED A LONG
17 TIME.

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19 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YOUR CHOICE.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. I'LL CALL UP ALEX MORALES,
22 WILLIAM BERTRAND, AMY JAFFE, WENDY WOLF WILL BE THE FIRST FOUR
23 SPEAKERS, TWO MINUTES, IDENTIFY YOURSELF. ALL RIGHT. WHOSE
24 PLACE ARE YOU TAKING? WHO-- OF THE FOUR I CALLED, WHO IS NOT
25 UP HERE? OH, OKAY. YOU'RE ON THE LIST, THEN. SO WENDY GONE?



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2 **SYLVIA ORLANDO:** YES. SHE HAD TO LEAVE.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WHOEVER WOULD LIKE TO BEGIN, JUST
5 IDENTIFY YOURSELF FOR THE RECORD.

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7 **SYLVIA ORLANDO:** I WILL BEGIN. I'M SYLVIA ORLANDO, THE
8 PRESIDENT OF THE ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY HUMAN SERVICE
9 AGENCIES WHICH REPRESENTS OVER 85 NONPROFIT CHILD WELFARE AND
10 MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDERS IN L.A. COUNTY. I'VE BEEN IN THE FIELD
11 OF CHILD WELFARE FOR 39 YEARS. I'M HERE TODAY REPRESENTING
12 BOTH OUR COUNTY GROUP HOME AND FOSTER FAMILY AGENCIES TO
13 REQUEST YOUR BOARD SUPPORT THE CONTINUANCE OF PAYMENT OF THE
14 COUNTY SHARE OF FOSTER CARE RATES DESPITE THE STATE REDUCTION.
15 WHAT I'M ASKING YOU TO BACKFILL, PLEASE BE CLEAR, AND WE'RE
16 NOT ASKING FOR NEW MONEY, WE'RE ONLY ASKING YOU TO CONTINUE
17 WHAT YOU'VE BEEN DOING. OUR RATES HAVE BEEN FROZEN IN FOSTER
18 FAMILIES FOR THE LAST 10 YEARS. WE'VE ONLY RECEIVED TWO
19 INCREASES IN OUR STATE RATES FOR GROUP HOMES IN THE LAST 14.
20 THAT MEANS OUR PURCHASING POWER IS NOW 25 TO 30 PERCENT LESS,
21 THIS DESPITE THE FACT THAT EVERY TIME THERE'S A NEW COUNTY
22 CONTRACT, THE COUNTY IMPOSES NEW UNFUNDED MANDATES. IF YOU
23 DON'T CONTINUE TO FUND OUR AGENCIES, THERE WILL BE FURTHER
24 REDUCTION OF GROUP HOME CAPACITY TO THE TUNE OF APPROXIMATELY
25 400 AVAILABLE BEDS. YES, WE KNOW THERE'S VACANCIES RIGHT NOW,



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1 BUT DID YOU KNOW THERE'S 400 YOUNG PEOPLE PLACED OUT OF
2 COUNTY? AND THIS IS AGAINST THE COUNTY'S OWN PHILOSOPHY OF
3 KEEPING CHILDREN CLOSE TO THEIR OWN COMMUNITIES. D.C.F.S.
4 CONVINCED YOU JUST A LITTLE LESS THAT BE A YEAR AGO THAT THEY
5 DID NOT HAVE ENOUGH AVAILABLE BEDS AND THEY CONVINCED YOU TO
6 OPEN THE CONTRACT BIDDING PROCESS, IF YOU REMEMBER THAT. NOW
7 YOU'RE GOING TO LOSE 400 BEDS AND SEVERAL FOSTER FAMILY
8 AGENCIES WILL REDUCE THEIR CAPACITIES AS WELL. WE KNOW THE
9 DEPARTMENT WANTS TO START NEW PROGRAMS RATHER THAN PROCEED
10 WITH THAT, WE THINK THEY SHOULD CONCENTRATE ON THEIR
11 FOUNDATION. THE ELIMINATION OF AVAILABLE PLACEMENT RESOURCES
12 WILL NOT ONLY PUT MORE IN THE UNEMPLOYMENT LINES BUT WILL ALSO
13 CAUSE THOSE OF US WHO REMAIN IN BUSINESS TO ELIMINATE CRITICAL
14 SUPPORT PROGRAMS FOR OUR YOUTH, SUCH AS TUTORING, VOCATIONAL
15 TRAINING, DROP PLACEMENT, FAMILY FINDING, MENTORING AND
16 AFTERCARE SERVICES, ALL OF WHICH ARE FUNDED PRIVATELY NOW. WE
17 WILL NEED THOSE DOLLARS JUST TO KEEP OUR DOORS OPEN. IN
18 CLOSING, AND I REALIZE I'M A LITTLE OVER, IN CLOSING, LET ME
19 SAY THAT WITHOUT THE COUNTY MAINTAINING THEIR SHARE OF THE
20 RATES FOR THOSE VULNERABLE CHILDREN, THOSE CHILDREN WILL FACE
21 EXTREME SAFETY RISKS BECAUSE THEY'LL HAVE NO PLACE TO GO.
22 TRAGICALLY, WE HAVE SEEN SEVERAL CHILD DEATHS IN THIS COUNTY
23 OVER THE PAST FEW MONTHS. I DARE SAY THAT IF OUR AGENCIES
24 CANNOT PROVIDE THE NECESSARY RESOURCES FOR THOSE WHO DO, IN
25 FACT, REQUIRE OUT OF HOME PLACEMENT, THIS BOARD WILL BE



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1 ORDERING MORE INVESTIGATIONS. I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT OUR
2 REQUEST FOR THE SAKE OF OUR CHILDREN AND YOURS AS WE KNOW THIS
3 IS AN ISSUE THAT CAN BE LEGALLY DONE BECAUSE WE'VE ALREADY
4 SPOKEN TO THE STATE AND THE AUTHOR OF THE FOSTER CARE RATES
5 BILL. I WILL BE AVAILABLE LATER AFTER THE REST OF THE
6 TESTIMONY FOR QUESTIONS.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. AND I WOULD JUST
9 ASK THE OTHER SPEAKERS TO BE MINDFUL OF THE TIME. MINDFUL OF
10 THE TIME YOU'RE ALLOTTED. I'M GOING TO ASK BRUCE SALTZER TO
11 JOIN US. WHOEVER IS NEXT.

12

13 **BILL BERTRAND:** I'M BILL BERTRAND, I'M THE PRESIDENT OF THE
14 BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF YOUTH HOME AND FAMILY SERVICES, AND WHAT
15 A TIME TO ASSUME THAT POSITION. I'M A FORMER HIGH SCHOOL
16 PRINCIPAL WITH 32 YEARS OF ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE IN
17 BURBANK, CALIFORNIA. OUR OPTIMA STORES OPENED IN 1906 AND
18 TODAY WE ARE ONE OF THE LARGEST GROUP HOME PROVIDERS IN THE
19 COUNTY, AND WE HAVE MANY OF THE PEOPLE ASSIGNED BY YOU. WE
20 HAVE OPERATING FOSTER FAMILY AND ADOPTION AGENCY SINCE 1993.
21 WE ALSO OPERATE OUR OWN HIGH SCHOOL, MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
22 AND TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAMS. WE ARE NATIONALLY
23 ACCREDITED BY THE ACCREDITATION COUNCIL OF AMERICA AND WE HAVE
24 125 LOCAL OPTIMIST CLUBS REPRESENTING OUR MEMBERSHIP OF OVER
25 6,000. DUE TO INADEQUATE RATES PAID OVER THE YEARS, AS WELL AS



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1 ANTICIPATION OF STATE CUTTING A PORTION OF OUR RATES COME
2 OCTOBER, WE HAVE ELIMINATED FIVE FULL-TIME POSITIONS IN OUR
3 AGENCY, FROZEN ALL SALARIES, CUT BECOME ON OUR SICK LEAVE AND
4 IMPLEMENTED STAFF FURLOUGHS TO THE TUNE OF ONE DAY PER MONTH
5 FOR OUR EMPLOYEES, ALL EMPLOYEES, INCLUDING THE ADMINISTRATIVE
6 EMPLOYEES. LET ME TELL YOU THAT TWO YEARS AGO WHEN THE STUDY
7 WAS DONE BY PRICE WATERHOUSE, AND YOU KNOW WHO THEY ARE,
8 COMPARING SALARIES IN OUR AGENCIES TO THOSE OF EQUIVALENT
9 COUNTY STAFF, WE FELL 20 PERCENT. WE FELL 20 PERCENT AND
10 NEEDLESS TO SAY, RIGHT NOW, IT'S EVEN A GREATER POSITION THAN
11 THAT. WE ARE ASKING OUR STAFF TO CUT-- TO ACCEPT CUTS AND
12 CONTINUE SERVING OUR CHILDREN, YOURS AND OURS, WHILE IT SEEMS
13 LIKE D.C.F.S. IS NOT TAKING ANY MEASURES. I'M NOT VERY HAPPY
14 ABOUT THAT.

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. CAN YOU WRAP IT
17 UP VERY QUICKLY?

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19 **WILLIAM BERTRAND:** I'D LIKE TO JUST MENTION, WE HAVE SEVERAL
20 MORE CUTS THAT WOULD HAVE TO BE MADE THAT WOULD DECIMATE OUR
21 OPTIMA YOUTH. I DON'T THINK YOU WANT THAT TO HAPPEN. THIS LAST
22 WEEK, I PRESENTED AN AWARD TO ONE OF OUR STUDENTS WHO HAD
23 IMPROVED HIS GRADE POINT TO 4.0. HIS MOTHER WAS THERE. HE WAS
24 IN TEARS. THE QUOTE HE SAID WAS, "NO ONE SAID I COULD DO
25 THIS." MY PLEA TO YOU IS ASK WHAT WE WANT YOU TO GIVE US SO



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1 THAT ERIC AND ALL OF HIS COLLEAGUES CAN TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OUR
2 PROGRAM. THANK YOU.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

5

6 **AMY JAFFE:** HI. I'M AMY JAFFE, SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT FROM VISTA
7 DEL MAR CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES. WE ARE HOPING THAT THE
8 COUNTY WILL BE ABLE TO FIND A WAY TO HELP OUR AGENCIES OUT.
9 VISTA DEL MAR HAS BEEN IN EXISTENCE FOR OVER 100 YEARS AND HAS
10 A LONG STANDING HISTORY OF PROVIDING EXCELLENT CARE IN A
11 NURTURING ENVIRONMENT TO CHILDREN IN NEED. WE CANNOT AFFORD TO
12 CONTINUE TO PROVIDE MUCH NEEDED CARE TO OUR CHILDREN DUE TO
13 THE PROPOSED BUDGET CUTS. CURRENTLY WE SUBSIDIZE EVERY CHILD
14 IN OUR FACILITY. PUBLIC MONEYS PAY FOR ABOUT 67 PERCENT FOR
15 EACH CHILD WITH DONORS PAYING FOR THE REST. EVEN WHEN OUR
16 POPULATION IS DOWN, WE HAVE TO STAFF OUR FACILITY BASED ON OUR
17 CENSUS TO MEET REQUIREMENTS. COST OF CARE CONTINUES TO
18 INCREASE FOR THE CHILDREN PLACED IN OUR AGENCY. WE HAVE HAD TO
19 REDUCE BEDS IN OUR FACILITY. THE MOST RECENT IS FROM 88 TO 34
20 TO 36 IN OUR LEVEL 12 PROGRAM, AND WE ARE CONSIDERING FURTHER
21 REDUCTION TO 24 BEDS. IMPORTANTLY, WE PROVIDE A VALUABLE
22 SAFETY NET FOR CHILDREN IN NEED AND ARE SO CONCERNED ABOUT OUR
23 ABILITY TO AFFORD TO CONTINUE TO BE ABLE TO DO SO. WHERE ARE
24 THESE CHILDREN GO IF PLACES LIKE VISTA DEL MAR ARE NOT AROUND
25 TO PROVIDE MUCH NEEDED SUPPORT? WE TALK A LOT ABOUT BEDS AND



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1 CENSUS, BUT THE REALITY, THESE ARE CHILDREN. EVERY TIME WE
2 DECREASE A BED, THAT MEANS THAT A CHILD WHO HAS BEEN SEVERELY
3 ABUSED, NEGLECTED, SUFFERED HORRIBLE TRAUMA WON'T HAVE THE
4 OPPORTUNITY FOR THE HEALTH AND SUPPORT THAT HE OR SHE IS IN
5 NEED OF. THANK YOU.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. OKAY. I'M GOING TO ASK COOKIE
8 NELLUM AND JAY ALLEN TO JOIN US, PLEASE. YES, SIR.

9

10 **ALEX MORALES:** MY NAME IS ALEX MORALES, I'M THE C.E.O. OF THE
11 CHILDREN'S BUREAU OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND WE HAVE OFFICES
12 IN EACH OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' DISTRICTS. I AM WANTING
13 TO SHARE WITH YOU OUR CONCERN ABOUT THE 17-MILLION-DOLLAR CUT
14 THAT THE STATE HAD BLUE PENCILED OUT AND HOW IT IS APPROACHING
15 SOLVING THAT PROBLEM WITHIN THIS COUNTY, AND BASICALLY THE
16 COUNTY SOLUTION IS TO ADDRESS HALF OF THAT BY TAKING THOSE
17 RESOURCES AWAY FROM THE FOSTER CARE, F.F.A.S AND FROM THE
18 GROUP HOME CHILDREN. WE FEEL THAT IT IS EASIER FOR THE
19 DEPARTMENT, WHICH HAS OVER 1-1/2-BILLION-DOLLAR BUDGET TO FIND
20 A WAY OF AVOIDING AN ARTERY BY ABSORBING THAT \$17 MILLION CUT
21 FOR STRATEGICALLY THAN FOR US TO EXPERIENCE THAT AS A 10
22 PERCENT CUT. FOR OUR ORGANIZATION, THE STATE HAS REDUCED OUR
23 REIMBURSEMENT BY 100,000, BUT IF THIS GOES THROUGH, THIS IS AN
24 ADDITIONAL 200,000. WHAT I HAVE ALREADY DONE TO TRY TO BALANCE
25 OUR BUDGET BUT HAVE NOT BEEN SUCCESSFUL, IS WE HAVE OUR LINE



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1 STAFF, SALARIES HAVE BEEN FROZEN, THEIR AVERAGE SALARY IS
2 \$50,000 FOR AN M.S.W. WITH MULTIPLE YEARS EXPERIENCE. WE'VE
3 ELIMINATE 5 PERCENT BENEFIT, THEIR BENEFIT PACKAGE TOTAL NOW
4 IS 21 PERCENT. THE OVERHEAD FOR THIS PROGRAM IS 8 PERCENT AND
5 I'VE CLOSED ONE OF THOSE OFFICES. WHAT WE'VE HAD TO
6 ADDITIONALLY DO, EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1ST, IS ELIMINATE SEVERAL
7 PREVENTION PROGRAMS. IN ESSENCE, IT'S NOT RECOGNIZED THAT WHAT
8 IS HAPPENING IS THERE'S A NEED TO TRANSFER THE RESOURCES FROM
9 PREVENTION TO PAY FOR THE GAP FUNDING NOW IN AN AREA THAT IS
10 THE GOVERNMENT COMMITMENT. I JUST WANT TO END WITH SAYING THAT
11 I THINK THAT WE HAVE A DISTRACTION ISSUE OF WHAT SHOULD BE THE
12 RATE PAID FOR THESE SERVICES WHEN THE REAL QUESTION IS TO THE
13 COUNTY IS DO YOU NEED FOSTER CARE SERVICES WHICH CURRENTLY
14 ACCOUNT FOR TWO-THIRDS OF ALL THE--

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WRAP IT UP, OKAY? THANK YOU. YES?

17

18 **BRUCE SALTZER:** BRUCE SALTZER. TODAY IS THE FIRST TIME OUR
19 ASSOCIATION IS ASKING FOR YOUR HELP RELATED TO THE D.C.F.S.
20 BUDGET AND ITS IMPACT ON THE HIGHEST NEEDS FOSTER YOUTH IN THE
21 CHILD'S WELFARE SYSTEM SERVED BY OUR GROUP HOMES AND F.F.A.S.
22 AT THE SAME TIME I VIVIDLY REMEMBER DISCUSSING WITH YOU
23 SEVERAL YEARS AGO A D.C.F.S. NON BUDGET RED LIGHT ISSUE
24 RELATED TO THE STANDARD USED BY THE COUNTY IN INTERPRETING THE
25 F.F.A. CONTRACT. THIS BOARD DID NOT AGREE WITH OUR POSITION



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1 ABOUT THE UTILIZATION OF FEDERAL STANDARDS TO GUIDE THE
2 INTERPRETATION OF THE CONTRACT. I CLEARLY REMEMBER THE
3 UNANIMOUS POSITION YOU PROVIDED THAT DAY, I.E. THAT THIS
4 COUNTY AND BOARD WILL DECIDE WHAT IS BEST FOR THE COUNTY'S
5 FOSTER YOUTH REGARDLESS OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE STATE OR
6 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. THIS MESSAGE SURELY APPLIES TODAY, AS WE
7 ASK THE BOARD TO STOP PAYING ITS SAME SHARE OF THE GROUP HOME
8 RATES SO THAT OUR AGENCIES ARE ONLY ASKED TO ABSORB THE 3
9 PERCENT STATE RATE REDUCTION RATHER THAN A TOTAL 10 PERCENT
10 REDUCTION. OF COURSE WE MUST STRESS THAT THIS REQUEST IS ALSO
11 BEING MADE WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF AN ENVIRONMENT WHERE GROUP
12 HOMES TODAY ARE BEGINNING TO TAKE QUARTER LESS, AND F.F.A. IS
13 30 PERCENT BELOW. TO MAKE MATTERS WORSE FINANCIALLY, OVER THE
14 YEARS WE HAVE BEEN GIVEN A WHOLE ADDITIONAL LIST OF UNFUNDED
15 MANDATES THAT WE HAVE TO PROVIDE IN THE CONTRACT AND IT'S
16 UNREALISTIC TO AT SOME POINT EXPECT US TO DO MORE WITH FEWER
17 DOLLARS. INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, THERE COMES A BREAKING
18 POINT, AND WE HAVE REACHED IT. IF THIS BOARD AGREES WITH THE
19 FULL 10 PERCENT RATE REDUCTION, OPTIMIST MUST SLASH 900,000, A
20 MILLION DOLLARS AND ON AND ON. IN REAL TERMS, THERE IS NO
21 DOUBT THE HIGHEST NEED IN THIS FOSTER CARE SYSTEM THAT WILL
22 SUFFER THE MOST AS REFLECTED IN THE IMPACT STATEMENTS WE HAVE
23 PROVIDED. IN CLOSING, I WANT TO EMPHASIZE THAT OUR AGENCIES
24 AGREE WITH THE CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM TO KEEP YOUTH SAFELY AT
25 HOME AND FAMILIES INTACT. HOWEVER, WE MUST NOT FORSAKE THOSE



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1 HIGHEST NEED FOSTER YOUTH FOR WHOM THIS IS NOT A VIABLE OPTION
2 PUTTING THEM AT RISK. IF THE COUNTY FINDS ITSELF WITHOUT OUR
3 CURRENT RESIDENTIAL OPTIONS BECAUSE OUR AGENCIES ARE UNWILLING
4 TO OPERATE BY PROVIDING SUB STANDARD CARE FORCED UPON THEM BY
5 INADEQUATE HOUSING REIMBURSEMENT, WHERE WILL THEY PUT THEM?
6 MACLAREN? IF THERE'S ONE FINAL MESSAGE WE WOULD LIKE TO LEAVE
7 WITH YOU, IS THAT D.C.F.S. CONTINUES TO USE LESS AND LESS OF
8 OUR GROUP HOME RESOURCES, SO BE IT, BUT PLEASE DON'T CUT OUR
9 LEVEL OF REIMBURSEMENT ANY FURTHER FOR THE HIGHEST YOUTH AS
10 OUR GROUP HOMES CONTINUE TO SERVE MARGINALIZING THE QUALITY OF
11 CARE THAT WE ARE ABLE TO PROVIDE FOR THEM. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GOING TO ASK JOHN HITCHCOCK COULD COME
14 AND MANUEL ABASCAL TO JOIN US.

15

16 **ALSERA NELLUM:** MY FULL NAME ALSERA NELLUM. MY NICKNAME IS
17 COOKIE. I WORK UNDER CALIFORNIA MEDICAL SERVICES AND TODAY I'M
18 NOT SPEAKING AS A PER SE FOSTER CARE IN PUBLIC HEALTH BUT
19 SPEAKING AS A PUBLIC HEALTH FOR ALL MY COLLEAGUES IN THE
20 PUBLIC HEALTH. I'VE BEEN NURSING FOR 36 YEARS. 24 IN EMERGENCY
21 ROOMS, LAST 12 HERE TO L.A. COUNTY. AS A PUBLIC HEALTH
22 EMPLOYEE, OUR JOB IS TO KEEP THE PUBLIC SAFE AND ALSO THAT
23 INVOLVES REDUCING T.B., H.I.V., S.T.D.S, FOSTER CARE YOUTH
24 WHICH ALSO IN THIS GROUP FOR ILLNESSES THAT MAY BE PRESENT. AS
25 YOU KNOW, THE FLU SEASON IS UPON US IN THE WINTERTIME AND H1N1



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1 IS THE NEW BUG THAT'S OUT, SO WE'RE URGING THE L.A. COUNTY
2 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO GIVE US FULL FUNDING TO PURSUE WITH
3 OUR NEEDS TO HELP KEEP THE PUBLIC SAFE, AND I THANK YOU IN
4 ADVANCE.

5

6 **JAY ALLEN:** MY NAME IS JAY ALLEN AND I'M THE CHIEF OPERATING
7 OFFICER AT THE JUNIOR BLIND. WE ARE ESTABLISHED IN 1953 AND
8 PROVIDE A WHOLE ARRAY OF PROGRAMS AND SERVICES TO ABOUT 9,000
9 STUDENTS AND FAMILY MEMBERS PER YEAR, BIRTH TO SENIORS. ONE
10 SUCH PROGRAM THAT WE OFFER IS A RESIDENTIAL GROUP HOME WHICH
11 SERVES THE NEEDIEST CHILDREN IN OUR COMMUNITY, BLIND, VISUALLY
12 IMPAIRED, SEVERE DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, SERIOUS MEDICAL
13 AND BEHAVIORAL CHALLENGES, EVEN ASIDE FROM THE 10 PERCENT CUT
14 THAT'S BEING PROPOSED TO GROUP HOMES, THIS IS A PROGRAM THAT
15 IS ALREADY IN JEOPARDY OF DOWNSIZING OR CLOSING SINCE THERE'S
16 REALLY NO RATE SETTING METHODOLOGY THAT ADDRESSES THE UNIQUE
17 NEEDS OF CHILDREN THAT NEED SO MUCH SUPPORT TO GET THROUGH THE
18 DAY SUCCESSFULLY CURRENTLY. THE REIMBURSEMENT ONLY COVERS
19 ABOUT 65 PERCENT OF THE ACTUAL COST OF THE SERVICE. I'D LIKE
20 TO JUST BRIEFLY TELL YOU ABOUT ONE OF THE KIDS WE WERE ABLE TO
21 HELP RECENTLY. THIS IS A YOUNG GIRL WHO WAS VISUALLY IMPAIRED,
22 HAD A SERIOUS HEART CONDITION, AUTISTIC, SEIZURES DISORDER,
23 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND MUCH MORE. SHE WAS REMOVED FROM
24 HER HOME DUE TO LIFE-THREATENING NEGLECT. IN SIX MONTHS WITH
25 US, SHE LEARNED TO DO MORE THAN SHE HAD THE PREVIOUS SIX



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1 YEARS. WE STABILIZED HER HEART CONDITION, TAUGHT HER MOM HOW
2 TO HANDLE THE VERY COMPLICATED NEEDS OF THIS WONDERFUL CHILD.
3 WE BEGAN SUPERVISED VISITATION AND WERE ABLE TO TRANSITION THE
4 CHILD BACK HOME WHERE SHE LIVES TODAY WITH HER FAMILY AND
5 THRIVING. I WOULD RESPECTFULLY SUGGEST THAT YOU'LL NOT FIND
6 ANOTHER PROGRAM IN L.A. COUNTY, THE STATE AND PERHAPS THE
7 COUNTRY THAT COULD PROVIDE THIS KIND OF SERVICE TO THIS CHILD
8 AND CHILDREN LIKE HER. VERY UNIQUE RESOURCE, VERY IMPORTANT
9 COMMUNITY NEEDS ARE BEING MET THROUGH THIS PROGRAM AND WE'RE
10 ASKING YOU TO AT LEAST CONTINUE THE SAME LEVEL OF FUNDING
11 SUPPORT THAT YOU HAVE PREVIOUSLY. I KNOW YOU HAVE A LOT OF
12 SERIOUS ISSUES IN FRONT OF YOU TODAY AND WE WOULD LIKE FOR YOU
13 TO CONSIDER THIS ONE. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. CRAIG WOODS, IF YOU'D JOIN
16 US, PLEASE. ALSO KARL HULIC.

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18 **JOHN HITCHCOCK:** KARL HAD TO LEAVE.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

21

22 **JOHN HITCHCOCK:** I'M JOHN HITCHCOCK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF HOME
23 FOR CHILDREN. I'VE BEEN THERE FOR 3 YEARS. HILLSIDE HAS BEEN
24 TAKING CARE OF CHILDREN FOR THE PAST 95 YEARS. FOR THE PAST 10
25 YEARS, WE HAVE MAINTAINED OVER A 99 PERCENT OCCUPANCY.



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1 CURRENTLY OUR OCCUPANCY IS 99.9 PERCENT. THAT MEANS THAT WE
2 HAVE 55 EMPTY BED DAYS OUT OF A POSSIBLE 22,110 BED DAYS.
3 CLEARLY OUR-- YOU NEED OUR SERVICES. YOU'VE HEARD ABOUT THESE
4 BEDS THAT HAVE BEEN CLOSED AND OTHER AGENCIES THAT ARE
5 PROPOSING TO CLOSE. AS OF YET, HILLSIDE'S BOARD HAS NOT SEEN
6 THAT AS AN OPTION, THEY HAVE NOT SETTLED ON A BUDGET FOR THIS
7 NEXT YEAR, BUT CLOSING 10 TO 20 BEDS OR SHUTTING DOWN
8 ALTOGETHER IS CLEARLY ONE OF THEIR OPTIONS. DOES NOT MAKE
9 SENSE TO SHORTCHANGE OUR-- TO BE CHANGING-- SHORTCHANGING US
10 IN ORDER TO PAY FOR MORE D.C.F.S. STAFF TO COVER THE SERVICES
11 THAT ARE BEING PLANNED. IT WILL BE AN OUTRAGE IF YOU LET THE
12 DEPARTMENT PASS ON THIS 10 PERCENT CUT, RESCUING THE PERMANENT
13 LOSS OF VALUABLE RESOURCES AND THE POSSIBILITY OF EVEN MORE
14 DEATHS. KARL HULIC, WHO WAS ON MY BOARD OFF AND ON FOR 22
15 YEARS WOULD HAVE TESTIFIED THAT HE DOUBTED THAT THE BOARD, IN
16 PASSING THE BUDGET, COULD AVOID NOT CLOSING SOME OF OUR BEDS.
17 THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MANUEL?

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21 **MANUEL ABASCAL:** HELLO. I'M MANNY, AND I'M FIVE ACRES IN
22 ALTADENA, VERY LARGE AGENCY, WE TREAT 4,000 FAMILIES AND
23 CHILDREN. I'VE BEEN ON THE BOARD FOR 16 YEARS, I DONATE MONEY,
24 TIME, AND I'M HERE BECAUSE I'M CONCERNED ABOUT OUR
25 ORGANIZATION. OUR RATES ARE NOT ENOUGH TO PAY FOR OUR COSTS.



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1 WE LOSE MONEY EVERY YEAR, AND I AND MY OTHER BOARD MEMBERS, WE
2 DONATE MONEY AND WE RAISE MONEY TO MAKE UP THAT SHORTFALL. NO
3 GOOD DEED GOES UNPUNISHED AND NOW THAT THE ECONOMY IS HURTING
4 AND THE STATE IS CUTTING BACK, WE'RE DIGGING DEEPER IN THE
5 BOARD TO DONATE MORE MONEY AND RAISE MORE MONEY, BUT EVEN SO
6 WITH THOSE EXTRA EFFORTS, WE'RE STILL DOWN 30 PERCENT IN
7 DONATION AND WITH THE STATE CUTTING US, WE'RE DOWN HUNDREDS OF
8 THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS THIS YEAR. WE TRIED TO TIGHTEN, WE ARE
9 CUTTING BACK ON SERVICES, WE CLOSED A GROUP HOME, WE ARE
10 REDUCING OUR CAPACITY AND OUR RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT CENTER.
11 THE PROBLEM IS THE NEED IS NOT GOING AWAY. WE ARE STILL
12 GETTING KIDS AND THEY HAVE NOWHERE ELSE TO GO. JUST LAST WEEK
13 WE GET A COUPLE OF KIDS WITH A LONG HISTORY OF PHYSICAL AND
14 SEXUAL ABUSE. WE'RE GOING TO DO WHAT WE'VE BEEN DOING FOR A
15 HUNDRED YEARS PORE THOSE KIDS, WE'RE GOING TO TAKE CARE OF
16 THEM AND WE'RE GOING TO SAVE THEIR LIVES, BUT WE CANNOT
17 CONTINUE WITH THIS SHORTFALL. WE ARE RUNNING OUT OF MONEY AND
18 WE DON'T HAVE ANY MORE TO GIVE AND WE CAN'T RAISE ANY MORE.
19 ALL I WANT-- ALL WE WANT IS FOR THE COUNTY TO GIVE US THE
20 STATUS QUO, TO NOT CUT US ANY FURTHER. ANY FURTHER CUTS BY THE
21 COUNTY WILL HAVE AN IMPACT ON OUR ORGANIZATION OF WE THINK
22 HALF A MILLION DOLLARS AND WE JUST DON'T HAVE ANOTHER HALF A
23 MILLION DOLLARS TO GIVE AND WE CAN'T FIND IT. WE'RE ALREADY IN
24 A SHORTFALL AS IT STANDS. IN CLOSING, I'D LIKE TO SAY I'M
25 REALLY PROUD OF WHAT FIVE ACRES HAS DILLON AND WHAT WE'VE DONE



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1 FOR THESE CHILDREN. I THINK THE COUNTY SHOULD BE VERY PROUD OF
2 THEM. WE'RE GOING TO DIG DEEPER, TRY HARD TO CONTINUE TREATING
3 THESE KIDS. WE JUST WANT YOU TO GIVE US THE STATUS QUO AND
4 STAND WITH US DURING THIS TIME. THANK YOU.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. NEXT?

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8 **CRAIG WOODS:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS CRAIG WOODS, DIRECTOR OF
9 UNITED FOSTER CARE AGENCY IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES, ONE OF THE
10 LARGEST FOSTER CARE PROVIDERS IN THE SOUTH LOS ANGELES
11 COMMUNITY, AND I'M HERE TO APPEAL TO THE BOARD TODAY FOR
12 CONSIDERATION OF THE SMALL GROUP HOME PROGRAMS. YES, WE ARE
13 BLESSED TO HAVE SOME VERY LARGE PROGRAMS IN THIS COUNTY, LIKE
14 THE GENTLEMAN JUST POINTED OUT, THAT HAVE A LOT OF RESOURCES
15 TO CARE FOR THESE KIDS, BUT MY PROGRAM'S ONLY IN ITS 20TH
16 YEAR, NOT ITS HUNDREDTH, AND AS A RELATIVELY SMALL PROVIDER
17 COMPARED TO SOME OF THE LARGER ONES, WE ARE NOT AT RISK OF
18 LOSING OUR PROGRAMS AND THE SERVICES THAT WE'RE PROVIDING TO
19 THE CHILDREN IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES, AND I STAND HERE TODAY
20 ASKING YOU TO CONSIDER CONTINUING TO FUND US AT THE LEVELS
21 THAT WE HAVE BEEN FUNDED AT. THERE IS LANGUAGE IN THE STATE
22 BUDGET THAT ALLOWS YOU TO CONTINUE TO DO THAT OR IN THE STATE
23 REGULATIONS THAT ALLOWS YOU TO DO IT CONTRARY TO WHAT I
24 BELIEVE YOU'RE BEING TOLD, AND YOU HAVE WITHIN YOUR HANDS AND
25 WITHIN YOUR POWER TODAY TO CONTINUE OUR FUNDING AT THE CURRENT



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1 LEVEL SO THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO SAVE THE LIVES OF THESE KIDS
2 IN OUR COMMUNITIES. THIS IS PROPORTIONATELY A BIASED ISSUE
3 BECAUSE FUNDING IN THE SOUTH LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY IS
4 DISPROPORTIONATE ALREADY TO IF YOU COULD IN SOME OF THE OTHER
5 AREAS, AND JUST BY THE SIZE OF OUR PROGRAMS, WE ARE GOING TO
6 BE MORE GREATLY IMPACT BY THESE BUDGET CUTS AND THIS RATE CUT
7 THAN IN OTHER COMMUNITIES. SO I ASK YOU TODAY TO PLEASE
8 CONSIDER TO CONTINUE THE FUNDING ON BEHALF OF THE SMALLER
9 PROGRAMS AND THE MOST NEEDY COMMUNITY IN THIS COUNTY. THE
10 EXISTING AND CURRENT RATE OF FUNDING THAT THE COUNTY HAS
11 SUPPORTED THESE CHILDREN WITH IN THE PAST. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. FUJIOKA?

14

15 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** OKAY. I WANT TO GET INTO THIS, BUT BEFORE I DO
16 ON THE ISSUE WITH THE F.F.A.S, WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO SUGGEST--
17 FIRST, I'M GOING TO PREFACE MY SUGGESTION BY STATING THAT I
18 BELIEVE WE HAVE A FIRM POLICY ON NOT BACKFILLING STATE CUTS,
19 ALTHOUGH IT HAS HAD AN IMPACT ON NOT ONLY THIS SERVICE BUT
20 MANY SERVICES THAT WE HAVE ADMINISTERED THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY.
21 WE STILL NEED TO STRICTLY COMPLY WITH THAT POSITION, THAT
22 POLICY, BUT WITH RESPECT TO THIS ONE ISSUE, I WOULD SUGGEST
23 THAT YOU INSTRUCT US TO SIT WITH COUNSEL AND D.C.F.S. TO LOOK
24 AT HOW WE COULD ADDRESS SOME OF THESE CONCERNS. IT WON'T BE TO
25 BACKFILL THE STATE MONEY BUT THERE'S A POSSIBILITY OF



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1 IDENTIFYING HOW WE COULD WORK WITH THE F.F.A.S, WHETHER IT'S
2 NEW PROGRAMS, ADDITIONAL SERVICES, BUT WE ALSO NEED TO LOOK TO
3 DETERMINE WITH OUR COUNTY COUNSEL IF THERE ARE ANY LEGAL
4 PROHIBITIONS FROM SOME OF THE ACTIONS WE COULD HAVE POSSIBLY
5 TAKEN. WE'LL COME BACK TO YOU IN 30 DAYS.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES. I MEAN, DEFINITELY. I THINK THAT'S
8 PROBABLY THE MOST IMPORTANT THING, THE BEST THING, IF WE COULD
9 JUST, YOU KNOW, MAKE A MOTION AND THROW THE DOLLARS OUT THERE,
10 BUT LEGALLY OR NOT LEGALLY, I MEAN, THERE'S A PRETTY
11 SIGNIFICANT ISSUE HERE ABOUT BACKFILL, BUT I THINK IT'S REALLY
12 IMPORTANT THAT YOU, COUNTY COUNSEL AND THE DEPARTMENT MEET
13 WITH THESE FOLKS TO SEE WHAT WE CAN DO TO ASSIST THEM. IT'S A
14 VERY DEVASTATING CUT, ONE THAT'S GOING TO IMPACT PROGRAMS AND
15 KIDS' LIVES GREATLY, AND SO I THINK THERE'S A WILLINGNESS HERE
16 AMONGST ALL, WHATEVER WE CAN DO TO ASSIST THEM, WE WANT TO DO
17 THAT, BUT THIS BUT ONE-- PEOPLE'S LIVES ARE AFFECTED BY THE
18 STATE'S INABILITY TO GET THEIR ACT TOGETHER AS WELL. WE KNOW
19 WE CAN BACKFILL RUTH. IT'S A POLICY ISSUE.

20

21 **BRUCE SALTZER:** (OFF-MIC.)

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

24

25 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE'LL COME BACK TO YOU.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** IF I COULD ASK THE AUDITOR TO COME UP AND, TRISH,
5 IF SHE'S HERE ON THESE ISSUES. I WANT TO ASK SOME QUESTIONS
6 ABOUT THIS OF YOU KNOW, I STARTED LOOKING AT THIS OVERALL AND
7 THERE'S NO DOUBT, THERE ARE MANY OF THE GROUP HOMES AND THE
8 DEPARTMENT RELIES HEAVILY ON THESE ISSUES-- ON THESE HOMES AND
9 AS A PLACEMENT FACILITY AND MANY OF THEM, MOST ALL OF THEM
10 HAVE EXCELLENT CARE AND OUR LAST SET OF CONTRACTS PROVIDED A
11 LOT OF QUALITY ASSURANCE FOR US, AND THAT'S, AS I UNDERSTAND,
12 BEEN HONORED, BUT I'M A LITTLE BIT CONCERNED WHEN I WAS
13 WORKING ON ANOTHER ISSUE AND THERE WAS A MEMO THAT CAME ACROSS
14 MY DESK ABOUT AN AUDIT THAT HAS BEEN DONE BY WENDY IN KNABE'S
15 OFFICE, AND IN THIS AUDIT, AS THEY WERE LOOKING AT SOME OF
16 THESE THINGS, THERE WAS ALSO A REPORT THAT WAS ATTACHED TO IT
17 THAT TALKED ABOUT THE WRITE-OFFS THAT HAVE BEEN REQUESTED OF
18 THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN SERVICES, AND WHEN I STARTED
19 LOOKING AT THESE NUMBERS, THEY BECAME BIGGER AND LARGER THAN I
20 HAD EVER SEEN, AND IT SEEMS TO BE A PATTERN THAT IS
21 TROUBLESOME FOR ME BECAUSE WHEN I LOOKED AT AN OUTSTANDING
22 AMOUNT OF MONEY WHERE WE PAID FOR THESE CHILDREN'S SERVICES TO
23 A GROUP HOME AND WE HAD ONE CALLED D & S SERVICES, WHICH HAS
24 NO ADDRESS HERE, SO I DON'T KNOW WHERE THEY ARE, BUT THEY OWED
25 US \$577,000 IN COSTS THAT WERE DISALLOWED AND INSTEAD OF



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1 PAYING US OR TRYING TO NEGOTIATE ANY KIND OF REPAYMENT, THEY
2 CLOSED UP. AND WHEN YOU START GOING THROUGH THIS LIST, THE
3 CLOSE-OUTS FOR THESE ORGANIZATIONS WAS A TOTAL OF 3.7 MILLION
4 THAT WAS WRITTEN OFF. IN OTHER WORDS, THESE ARE UNCOLLECTED
5 SUMS OF MONEY THAT WENT TO GROUP HOMES THAT, FOR WHATEVER
6 REASON, WHEN WE WENT THROUGH THE AUDIT, CLEARLY SAID YOU
7 CAN'T-- AND THERE'S A WHOLE LIST OF THEM, I DON'T NEED TO GO
8 THROUGH THEM, ON ALL OF THEM, BUT IT IS PRETTY DISTRESSING, A
9 LOT OF MONEY, AND WE DON'T EVEN KNOW SOME OF THESE PEOPLE JUST
10 CHANGED LITTLE OWNERS AROUND AND REOPENED. I MEAN, I DON'T
11 EVEN KNOW IF YOU KNOW THAT OR WHAT. WE DON'T KNOW WHAT KIND OF
12 EFFORT WE'VE DONE IN COLLECTING. I REMEMBER THAT WHEN WE HAD
13 AN AGENCY THAT WENT BANKRUPT, WE STEPPED IN RIGHT AWAY AND
14 WERE VERY CAREFUL AS TO HOW WE HANDLED THE CONTRACT AND SO ON,
15 BUT WHAT I'M-- AND TRANSFERRED THE CHILDREN, BY THE WAY,
16 BECAUSE THAT IS THE UTMOST RESPONSIBILITY THAT WE HAVE, BUT IN
17 THIS INSTANCE, WHEN WE TALK ABOUT HOW IMPORTANT THIS IS AND
18 YOU TALK ABOUT THE 3.7 MILLION THAT WE DIDN'T GET, I'M VERY
19 CONCERNED AS TO THE SENTIMENT THAT IS BEING RAISED HERE AND
20 THE FACT THAT WE HAVE PEOPLE WHO WE PAID TO TAKE CARE OF
21 CHILDREN WHO, UNDER THE GUIDELINES BY THE FEDERAL AND STATE AS
22 WELL AS OUR GUIDELINES OBVIOUSLY HAVE BEEN SPENDING 3.7
23 MILLION THAT ARE NOT ALLOWED, AND INSTEAD OF RESOLVING THEM,
24 THEY CHOOSE TO WRITE THEM OFF, OR YOU ALL CHOOSE TO WRITE THEM
25 OFF. NOW, I WOULD LIKE TO SEE SOME RECONCILIATION OF THIS



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1 ISSUE BECAUSE I DON'T UNDERSTAND CLEARLY, AND TRISH, I KNOW
2 YOU KNOW THAT I SPOKE WITH BRUCE ABOUT THIS, AND IN SOME OF
3 THE AUDITS, BY THE WAY, I WAS ALSO CONCERNED, WHILE ONE OF
4 THEM WAS MONEY, THERE'S OTHERS ABOUT THAT WE WERE NOT-- WHEN
5 WE WENT IN TO CHECK, THERE WERE NO MEDICATIONS THAT WERE BEING
6 PROVIDED TO THE CHILDREN ACCORDING TO THE PLAN. NOW, THAT'S A
7 VERY SIGNIFICANT ISSUE AS WELL AS THE MONEY, AND I THINK WE
8 NEED TO ADDRESS THAT, BUT WHY IS IT THAT-- I MEAN, HAS THIS
9 BEEN STANDARD ISSUE FOR ALL THESE YEARS THAT, YOU KNOW, THEY
10 RACK UP THESE BILLS AND THEN IT'S PART OF THE BUSINESS TO JUST
11 GO OUT OF BUSINESS? DO WE SEE THAT AS A STANDARD THAT HAS BEEN
12 CREATED HERE?

13

14 **TRISH PLOEHN:** IT HAS BEEN AN ONGOING PROBLEM. ONCE AN AGENCY
15 GOES OUT OF THE BUSINESS, THERE'S NO WAY FOR US TO GO ABOUT
16 DOING THE COLLECTION.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** AGAIN, THEY HAVE NO PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY AT
19 ALL?

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21 **TRISH PLOEHN:** I BELIEVE THEY DO, YES.

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23 **SUP. MOLINA:** THEY DO?

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1 **TRISH PLOEHN:** I BELIEVE THEY HAVE A PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY TO
2 PAY THEIR BILLS AND IF THEY HAVE OVERPAID OR BEEN PAID BY THE
3 COUNTY THAT WAS NOT DUE TO THEM, THAT THEY SHOULD INDEED REPAY
4 THAT MONEY.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT INSTEAD OF DOING THAT, WE INSTEAD WRITE IT
7 OFF, WHICH MEANS THAT THEY ARE NEVER HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR IT.

8

9 **TRISH PLOEHN:** THAT IS THE WAY WE HAVE DONE THIS IN THE PAST,
10 IF THE AGENCY HAS GONE OUT OF BUSINESS. I WOULD ASSUME BECAUSE
11 WHEN THE TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR GOES ABOUT TRYING TO
12 COLLECT THAT MONEY, THERE'S NO ONE TO COLLECT IT FROM. I DON'T
13 KNOW. THIS IS NOT MY AREA OF EXPERTISE, PERHAPS.

14

15 **ROBERT KALUNIAN, COUNSEL:** IT DEPENDS ON THE ENTITY INVOLVED,
16 IF IT'S A CORPORATION. IF THE CORPORATION IS NO LONGER IN
17 BUSINESS, THERE'S NO ONE TO FILE IT AGAINST, BUT WE CAN LOOK
18 AT IT, SUPERVISOR. I REALLY CAN'T TELL YOU WHAT HAS BEEN DONE
19 IN THE PAST AND WHY.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, AGAIN, WE DO NEED TO LOOK AT IT, AND WE
22 SHOULD, BECAUSE INSTEAD OF TRYING TO GUESS HERE HOW SOME OF
23 THIS IS HAPPENING, AND THIS HAS ALREADY BEEN DONE, SO THESE
24 PEOPLE HAVE ABSCONDED WITH OUR FUNDS, AS I SEE IT, CHILDREN'S
25 FUNDS, THESE HOMES AND THESE BEDS THAT ARE SO VITAL AND



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1 NECESSARY TO THE WELFARE OF OUR CHILDREN. THERE'S A LOT OF
2 MONEY. THEN I STARTED LOOKING A LITTLE FURTHER AND THERE'S A
3 NEW SERIES OF DISALLOWABLE COSTS, SOME OF THE VERY SAME PEOPLE
4 IN THE AUDIENCE THAT CAME UP WHO HAVE BEEN INFORMED OF
5 HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS OF DISALLOWED COSTS THAT ARE
6 PENDING RESOLUTION IS-- IN WHAT I SAW WAS NORMAL HERE THAT
7 ANYONE OVER A HUNDRED GRAND JUST QUILTS AND SO THOSE THAT OWE
8 14,000 DOLLARS ALWAYS SEEM TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO REPAY IT.
9 THE ANYTHING OVER A HUNDRED THOUSAND, IT'S LIKE LET'S GET OUT
10 OF TOWN, AND RIGHT NOW IN SOME OF THESE-- IN SOME OF THE VERY
11 PEOPLE THAT CAME UP TO TESTIFY, MORE THAN A HUNDRED THOUSAND,
12 OF ALREADY DISALLOWED COSTS. NOW, CAN WE START CHARGING THAT
13 AGAINST THE ALLOCATED AMOUNT THAT WE ARE GIVING THEM SO THAT
14 WE ARE PROTECTED AT THE END OF THE DAY, THAT WE WILL MAKE SURE
15 THAT THIS MONEY IS TRULY GOING TO CHILDREN AND BENEFITING A
16 MEMBER WHEN I WAS HERE ABOUT 10 YEARS AGO, WE FOUND ONE OF
17 THESE GROUP HOMES AND I THINK THE COUPLE WENT TO HAWAII AND
18 THEY BOUGHT A CADILLAC, AND I WAS ONE OF THE PUSHY PEOPLE
19 AROUND HERE THAT INSISTED THAT WE FILE A LAWSUIT. MY
20 UNDERSTANDING, WE LOST IT. I DON'T KNOW HOW, BUT WE DIDN'T
21 WIN, BUT THE POINT IS THAT CAN WE DO THAT, CAN WE GO FOR SOME
22 OF THESE AGENCIES THAT OWE US MONEY RIGHT NOW, UNDER THE AUDIT
23 THAT YOU'VE ALREADY DONE THAT HAVE BEEN CONCLUDED, THAT HAVE
24 CLEARLY STATED THAT THIS IS A DISALLOWED COST, LIKE SOMETIMES
25 PAYING YOUR RETIRED C.E.O. FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES THAT ARE



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1 NOT PERMITTED UNDER A CONTRACT FOR SOME REIMBURSEMENTS THAT
2 SHOULDN'T BE PERMITTED FOR SOME OF THESE CONTRACTS, FOR PEOPLE
3 WHO STEAL MONEY FROM THE ORGANIZATION AND THEN CAN WE WITHHOLD
4 THAT MONEY AS WE CONTINUE THEIR CONTRACTS?

5

6 **WENDY WATANABE:** SUPERVISOR, SURE. WENDY WATANABE, THE AUDITOR-
7 CONTROLLER. WHEN IT COMES TO AN UNCOLLECTABLE ITEM AND MOST OF
8 THE AUDITS FINDINGS, AS YOU SEE ON THE PACKET THAT CAME FROM
9 D.C.F.S. , WERE AUDITS THAT COMPLETED, YOU KNOW, PROBABLY THE
10 LAST FOUR OR FIVE YEARS AND PER-- NOW, IF WE-- LET'S SAY THE
11 COUNTY DECIDED TO WRITE IT OFF BECAUSE AFTER YEARS OF ATTEMPTS
12 BY BOTH THE DEPARTMENT AND BY TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR, NOW
13 THERE IS A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT THAT THE CONTRACTORS HAVE
14 MADE, AND WHICH THEY DIDN'T FULFILL, SO WE, AFTER THE
15 DEPARTMENT-- AFTER WE SAID IT WAS OUR FINDINGS DEPARTMENTS
16 WILL MAKE THE FIRST ATTEMPT TO COLLECT AND AFTER THAT, I
17 BELIEVE THEY WORK WITH COUNTY COUNSEL AND EVEN AFTER THAT,
18 IT'S STILL NOT A COLLECTABLE AND THEN IT GOES TO TREASURER AND
19 TAX FOR MAYBE ANOTHER TRY AND EVENTUALLY IT GETS RECOMMENDED
20 TO BE WRITTEN OFF. NOW, YOUR QUESTION ABOUT CAN WE HOLD ON TO
21 THEIR EXISTING CONTRACT OR THE UPCOMING CONTRACT, NOW--

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** NOT THE WHOLE CONTRACT AMOUNT, BUT IF YOU OWE US
24 \$100,000, MAYBE WE CAN GET 50,000 A MONTH TO PAY US BACK.

25



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1 **WENDY WATANABE:** DEPENDING ON COUNTY COUNSEL'S INTERPRETATION
2 OF THE CONTRACT BECAUSE SOME OF THE SERVICES MAY BE DIFFERENT,
3 SO WHAT THEY OWE FROM THE CONTRACT MAY BE SERVICING THE
4 PARTICULAR AREA OR A GROUP. THE NEW CONTRACT MAY BE A
5 DIFFERENT GROUP, SO WE MAY HAVE--

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** LET ME UNDERSTAND THIS CORRECTLY. SO WE ARE NOW
8 CREATING CONTRACTS, BECAUSE I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW THIS PART, SO
9 WE RENEW CONTRACTS WITH PEOPLE WHO OWE US MONEY. THAT'S SORT
10 OF WHAT YOU'RE SAYING. RIGHT?

11

12 **WENDY WATANABE:** I'M SORRY?

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'M THINKING THIS IS AN ONGOING CONTRACT.

15

16 **WENDY WATANABE:** RIGHT.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO THAT THE CONTRACTOR COULD BE THREE YEARS OR
19 FIVE YEARS, BUT WITHIN THAT TIME FRAME, THEY OWE US MONEY, WE
20 HAVE CONCLUDED THAT THEY OWE US MONEY. CAN WE WITHHOLD MONEY
21 TO THAT AGENCY AND REQUEST THAT THOSE CONTRACT SERVICES BE
22 PROVIDED BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT THEY OWE US MONEY, CAN WE DO
23 THAT.

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1 **WENDY WATANABE:** SOMETIMES YOU HAVE MULTIPLE CONTRACTS GOING ON
2 AT THE SAME TIME, SO MOST OF OUR AUDITS WERE DONE, IT WAS
3 AFTER A COMPLETION OF A CONTRACT.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. LET'S START AGAIN. WE SEE THIS
6 PROBLEM, OKAY, AND I GUESS WHAT WE ALSO NEED TO KNOW AND WHEN
7 THEY REPORT BACK IS WHETHER, IN FACT, WE CAN DO THIS, BECAUSE
8 IF WE ARE TALKING ABOUT THESE KINDS OF CUTS, WHICH NO ONE
9 WANTS TO SEE THESE KINDS OF STATE CUTS AND THEY CUT INTO THE
10 MOST NEEDY OF PROGRAMMING, AND THEN ALL OF A SUDDEN THEY
11 DECIDED THAT THERE WASN'T-- THAT THEY COULDN'T-- NOW ALL OF A
12 SUDDEN THEY HAVE FOUND A VERY-- LEGALLY THEY SAY, OH, SURE YOU
13 CAN, SO LOOK INTO IT, IT'S A POSSIBILITY, BUT THE POINT IS
14 THAT I DON'T KNOW WHEN THE STATE MANDATES CERTAIN RATE LEVELS,
15 CERTAIN RESPONSIBILITIES, BECAUSE THEY'RE ALL MANDATES,
16 THEY'RE ALL STATE MANDATES, BUT AT THE SAME TIME, THEY'RE SORT
17 OF LEAVING US HOLDING THE BAG ON THIS THING AT THE EXPENSE OF
18 COUNTY TAXPAYERS. WE HAVE TO ASK THOSE QUESTIONS. SO I GUESS I
19 HAVE TO UNDERSTAND IS THAT DO I HAVE THE ABILITY RIGHT NOW TO
20 SOME OF THE PEOPLE WHO ARE EVEN SITTING HERE TO SAY YOU OWE ME
21 SO MUCH MONEY, WHEN WILL YOU PAY ME BACK, OR IF YOU DON'T PAY
22 ME BACK TODAY, I WILL TAKE IT FROM YOUR CONTRACT, FROM THE
23 MONEY THAT I WILL ALLOCATE FOR YOU TOMORROW. CAN I DO THAT?

24

25 **WENDY WATANABE:** MY PERSONAL OPINION--



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DON'T NEED-- I NEED--

3

4 **ROBERT KALUNIAN:** SUPERVISOR, I BELIEVE THAT THERE ARE SOME
5 PROVISIONS THAT COULD ALLOW FOR OFFSETS. IT DEPENDS ON THE
6 CONTRACT AND WE CERTAINLY SHOULD LOOK INTO THAT AND TRY AND
7 DEVELOP SOME TYPE OF MECHANISM SO BASICALLY WE'RE AWARE OF
8 WHAT'S GOING OUT AND WHAT SHOULD BE COMING IN.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** IS ANYONE ELSE TROUBLED BY THIS? I MEAN, I SAW
11 THAT TARZANA CENTER THING AND I DON'T KNOW EXACTLY WHAT
12 HAPPENED. I JUST READ ABOUT IT IN THE PAPER, AND I TAKE IT
13 THAT WAS ONE OF OUR CONTRACTS, RIGHT? WASN'T IT? YEAH. WHERE
14 THERE WAS A LOT OF MONEY THAT WAS BEING PAID TO EXECUTIVES
15 BEYOND ANYTHING HERE AND I DON'T KNOW IF IT WAS DISALLOWABLE,
16 BUT THERE ARE A LOT OF ISSUES.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THERE'S A LOT OF MONEY BEING PAID TO THE
19 EXECUTIVES AT THESE AGENCIES, TOO, NOT JUST AT TARZANA.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** ON THIS ISSUE? NOT JUST TARZANA? THAT'S WHAT I'M
22 SAYING. THEY'RE PAYING A RETIRED C.E.O. OVER \$100,000 IN
23 CONSULTING FEES, AND IT'S BEEN DISALLOWED. IT DIDN'T GO TO
24 CHILDREN. THERE COULD HAVE BEEN SERVICES THAT HAVE BEEN
25 PROVIDED OR SO ON, BUT I'M CONCERNED, IS THAT ALLOWED OR NOT



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1 ALLOWED, AND IF IT'S NOT ALLOWED, THEN YOU SHOULDN'T SPEND
2 THAT MONEY ON IT, SO I GUESS THAT IF-- WHY AM I DOING THIS?
3 WHY ISN'T SOMEBODY ELSE? BECAUSE RIGHT NOW, WE'RE GOING TO
4 MAKE DECISIONS-- LET ME FIND OUT THE NEW AMOUNT FOR THIS YEAR
5 SO FAR IT'S 1.1 MILLION THAT WE'VE NOT YET WRITTEN OFF, BUT I
6 THINK IT GOES THROUGH SOME LITTLE PROCESS AND IT ENDS UP LIKE
7 THE OTHER 3.7 MILLION, PROBABLY EVERYBODY OVER \$100,000 WILL
8 QUIT BECAUSE THAT'S BEEN THE NORM. ANYONE WHO OWES US 9,000 OR
9 10,000 WILL PROBABLY PAY, AND I THINK WHAT'S SAD ABOUT THAT IS
10 THAT THOSE THAT ARE RESPONSIBLE HERE, YOU KNOW, STAND UP TO
11 THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES, THOSE THAT WE FIND HUGE AMOUNTS OF
12 CLAIMS, WE DON'T-- WE SEEM TO WRITE THEM OFF. IT'S SORT OF
13 UNFAIR TO THOSE GOOD OPERATORS THAT STAY WITHIN THE RULES,
14 THAT DON'T VIOLATE ANYTHING, THAT CONTINUE TO PROVIDE DIRECT
15 SERVICES TO THESE CHILDREN THAT MAXIMIZE THE DOLLARS THAT ARE
16 GOING TO THESE CHILDREN AND SOMETIMES YOU EVEN DO PRIVATE
17 FUNDRAISING TO MAKE SURE THEY HAVE THAT MONEY ALLOCATE TO
18 CHILDREN, AND YET THERE ARE SOME ON HERE, INCLUDING ONE OF
19 THEM THAT'S COME UP AND HAS MADE ARRANGEMENTS TO PAY BUT SO
20 FAR HAS NEVER SHOWED UP ON ANY OF THE APPOINTED DAYS TO START
21 MAKING THAT PAYMENT, SO EVEN AFTER THEY AGREE, THEY SORT OF
22 FORGET TO SHOW UP. ISN'T THIS SOMETHING WE ALL SHOULD CARE
23 ABOUT? PARTICULARLY THE ASSOCIATIONS. WELL, I KNOW SOME OF YOU
24 ARE ON THAT LIST, AND I DON'T THINK YOU WANT TO COMMENT.
25 (LAUGHTER) .



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2 **SPEAKER:** (OFF-MIKE) .

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, I'VE NOT USED NAMES. THE POINT IS, I WOULD
5 LIKE NOW, A VERY THOROUGH REVIEW OF THIS. I THINK WE NEED TO
6 BRING THIS INTO FULL COMPLIANCE. IF THE STATE SAYS, NO, YOU
7 CANNOT STOP PAYMENT, THEN WE HAVE TO GO TO THE STATE AND SAY,
8 WAIT A MINUTE, LET ME INTRODUCE YOU TO SOME BAD ACTORS. RIGHT?
9 AND SO THAT'S WHY I'M SAYING, RIGHT NOW, AND I DON'T MIND
10 THESE PEOPLE COMMENTING, THEY CAN.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'M JUST SAYING, MAYBE THEY'RE NOT BAD
13 APPLES.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DO KNOW WITH THE ONES THAT DIDN'T PAY US THAT
16 CLOSED, ALL RIGHT, THERE MAY HAVE BEEN GOOD INTENTIONS THERE
17 AS WELL AS THAT COUPLE THAT WENT TO HAWAII, MAYBE IT WAS A
18 STRESS LEAVE, I DON'T KNOW, THERE COULD HAVE BEEN GOOD
19 REASONS, BUT WE DO KNOW ONE THING, UNDER THE CONTRACT, IT'S
20 DISALLOWED COSTS. YOU CAN ARGUE IT ALL DAY LONG. ONE OF THEM
21 WENT AS FAR AS TO THE MONEY WAS STOLEN SO WE ARE GOING TO
22 MAKE-- AND THEY'VE RECOVERED IT, BUT THEY FEEL THAT THEY
23 SHOULD KEEP IT SINCE THEY RECOVERED IT. SO THESE ARE THINGS
24 THAT I THINK WE NEED TO LOOK AT POLICY GUIDELINES WHEN YOU
25 DON'T JUST CREATE A PROCESS AND JUST FOLLOW IT WITHOUT SAYING



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1 DOES THIS MAKE SENSE AND IS THIS A RESPONSIBLE WAY TO GO.
2 WE'RE PUNISHING THE FOLKS THAT ARE CONTINUOUSLY TRYING TO
3 PROVIDE THIS CARE TO CHILDREN AND THAT MAKE AN EFFORT TO SPEND
4 THE DOLLARS THAT ARE THERE AND SOME WHO PRIVATELY FUND RAISE
5 FOR IT AND IT SEEMS LIKE WE'RE LETTING SOME OF THE BAD ACTORS
6 GET AWAY WITH IT, AND WE DON'T KNOW IF THEY'RE COMING BACK
7 ONTO THE SCENE THINS SINCE THEY TOOK 3.7 MILLION LAST YEAR,
8 WHY NOT ATTEMPT TO AGAIN THIS YEAR? SO I JUST THINK THAT I'D
9 LIKE TO SEE A PLAN OF ACTION AS TO HOW WE'RE GOING TO CORRECT
10 ALL THE IRREGULARITIES THAT I HAVE POINTED OUT HERE AND I
11 DON'T KNOW HOW LONG IT'S GOING TO TAKE YOU TO DO THAT, BUT THE
12 QUICKER THE BETTER, BUT I DO KNOW THAT I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT AT
13 THIS POINT IN TIME WE HOLD OFF. IF NOTHING HAS BEEN WRITTEN
14 OFF AS YET, WE SHOULD STOP WRITING OFF RIGHT NOW UNTIL WE GET
15 A BETTER EXPLANATION BEFORE-- BECAUSE IT'S MY SOMETHING THAT I
16 UNDERSTAND IS AUTOMATICALLY DONE, WE DON'T EVEN GET TO APPROVE
17 THESE WRITE-OFFS.

18

19 **WENDY WATANABE:** AND SUPERVISOR, IF I MAY, MY DEPARTMENT DOES
20 NOT GET INTO THE COLLECTION SIDE.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** I KNOW. EVERYBODY WORKS ON THEIR OWN SILOS.

23

24 **WENDY WATANABE:** WE CAN CERTAINLY TAKE A MORE ACTIVE ROLE IN
25 THAT.



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SUP. MOLINA: WE CHANGED THIS PROCESS, INSTEAD OF A C.A.O., A C.E.O. TO TAKE CARE OF THESE ISSUES, AND SO I HOPE THAT SOMEHOW YOU WILL WORK IT OUT. I DON'T THINK IT'S AN IMPOSSIBLE THING. I THINK COUNTY COUNSEL CAN SIT IN, EVERYBODY CAN SIT IN, I THINK WE CAN WORK THROUGH THESE THINGS, A INCLUDING THE ASSOCIATION AND MANY OF THE PEOPLE WHO ARE HERE. AGAIN, I DON'T KNOW HOW THEY RECOVER WHAT IT IS, BUT IF IT'S DOES ALLOWED AND SHOULDN'T BE PAID OUT, I DON'T THINK THAT TAXPAYERS SHOULD BE HAVING TO WRITE THAT OFF OR HAVING TO PAY FOR THAT.

12

SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: WE HAVE A COUPLE MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION IF YOU'D LIKE TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE, JUST A COUPLE. NOT EVERYBODY. JUST SORT OF GIVE US AN EXPLANATION OF WHAT MIGHT BE HAPPENING. MOST RECENT COMMENTS ABOUT THE AUDITS, MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT THEY'RE STILL IN REVIEW, THAT THEY'RE NOT FINALIZED AND THAT I WOULD HOPE, AND AGAIN, I DON'T KNOW EVERY SINGLE DETAIL, THERE THERE WOULD BE AT LEAST BE DUE PROCESS AND ENSURE--

21

SUP. MOLINA: YOU DON'T GET INVOLVED IN THIS PROCESS AT ALL?

23

BRUCE SALTZER: I DO NOT. MY UNDERSTANDING WITH RESPECT TO THE TWO AGENCIES, ONE OF THEM WAS USING PRIVATE DOLLARS TO DO

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1 WHATEVER THEY NEEDED TO DO AND IT WAS NOT COUNTY DOLLARS AT
2 ALL. THAT WAS MY UNDERSTANDING FROM TALKING TO THAT AGENCY.
3 WITH RESPECT TO THE STOLEN MONEY, MY UNDERSTANDING, AGAIN,
4 JUST VERY BRIEFLY, IS THAT SOMEONE DID TAKE MONEY, THE MONEY
5 WAS RESTORED AND THE AGENCY WANTS TO CONTINUE TO USE THOSE
6 DOLLARS AS THEY WOULD FOR ANY OTHER LEGITIMATE SERVICE THAT
7 THEY HAVE IN THEIR AGENCY, SO THAT'S MY UNDERSTANDING. IN
8 OTHER WORDS, SOMEONE TAKES MONEY, INSURANCE AGENCY RECOVERS OR
9 WHATEVER AND PAYS YOU BACK FOR THOSE LOST FUNDS AND YOU
10 CONTINUE TO DELIVER THEM.

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12 **SUP. MOLINA:** I KNOW, BUT THERE MIGHT BE SOMEBODY IN THIS ROOM
13 THAT WOULD CONCLUDE THAT TO BE A GIFT OF PUBLIC FUNDS.

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15 **BRUCE SALTZER:** I'M SORRY?

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** THERE'S SOMEBODY IN THIS ROOM THAT WOULD CONCLUDE
18 THAT TO BE A GIFT OF PUBLIC FUNDS.

19

20 **BRUCE SALTZER:** IF SOMEBODY TOOK MONEY FROM LEGITIMATE BUSINESS
21 AND IT WAS PAID BACK, WOULDN'T THEY CONTINUE TO USE THOSE.
22 AGAIN, IT'S NOT LIKE YOU WERE USING. THAT'S MY QUESTION. GOING
23 BACK TO THE BIGGER ISSUE IN TERMS OF THE BACKFILL, JUST WANT
24 TO MAKE THAT VERY CLEAR. THERE ARE THREE PARTS OF THE
25 REDUCTION WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HERE. COUNTY'S PORTION AND



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1 FEDERAL PORTION. JUST RESPOND TO THAT POINT. AND I GUESS THE
2 LAST COMMENT WITH RESPECT TO THAT IS, YOU KNOW, WE ALL KNOW
3 THAT NOT AGENCY IN THE COUNTY IS A PERFECT AGENCY AND THERE
4 ARE AGENCIES THAT SHOULD HONESTLY BE PUT OUT OF BUSINESS. WE
5 DON'T DEFEND THOSE AGENCIES, WE DON'T REPRESENT THOSE
6 AGENCIES. THEY'RE BAD AGENCIES IN ANY SYSTEM IN THE STATE OF
7 CALIFORNIA AND THOSE AGENCIES THAT ARE DOING BAD THINGS SHOULD
8 BE PUNISHED. WE HAD AN ISSUE WITH D.C.F.S... IT JUST GOT
9 RESOLVED ABOUT A YEAR OR TWO AGO WHERE THEY WERE COMING OUT
10 TWICE A YEAR TO OUR F.F.A.S AND GROUP HOMES, REGARDLESS OF
11 WHETHER HEALTH SIDE HAD A GOOD AUDIT, THEY WERE AUDITED A
12 SECOND TIME, BUT THERE WERE OTHER PROVIDERS OUT THERE, SOME OF
13 THE LICENSED HOMES, SOME OF THE RELATIVE HOMES. I UNDERSTAND,
14 FOR EXAMPLE, THE COUNTY LOST TENS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS OVER
15 THE YEARS BECAUSE THEY WEREN'T REGULARLY REVIEWING THEIR
16 RELATIVES HOMES AND THE STATE ONLY COMES OUT WAKES UP EVERY
17 FIVE YEARS, SO WHEN WE ASKED WHAT ABOUT THAT, THEY SAID THAT'S
18 THE STATE'S RESPONSIBILITY. I COME BACK TO WHAT WE HEARD
19 BEFORE LEGITIMATELY FROM THIS BOARD, WHICH IS THAT THOSE ARE
20 OUR KIDS AND WE'RE EQUALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THEM. I'LL NEVER
21 DEFEND AN AGENCY THAT'S DOING POORLY. BOTTOM LINE, YOU'RE
22 HURTING THE KIDS.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR?

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE ITEM BEFORE US PERTAINS TO THE
2 PROPOSED CUTS THAT HAD BEEN CONTEMPLATED. THE C.E.O. HAS
3 SUGGESTED THEN THAT WE TAKE 30 DAYS TO REVIEW THIS WITH THE
4 INTENT TO TRY TO KEEP THE RESPECTIVE AGENCIES WHOLE IN DOING
5 THE WORK THAT WE ALL AGREE IS IMPORTANT WITH RESPECT TO
6 CONSTITUENTS THAT THEY CARE FOR OR TEND TO. THE CONCERNS
7 RAISED OTHERWISE ARE HUGE IMPORTANT. SEEMS TO ME THAT THEY
8 ARE TO BE A WORKING GROUP LED BY THE C.E.O. THAT WOULD--

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** C.E.O., COUNTY COUNSEL AND--

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER AND THE DEPARTMENT
13 OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. THEY OWE US SOME INFORMATION.
14 THAT INFORMATION GOES TO OVERARCHING POLICY CONSIDERATIONS
15 HERE AND I THINK IT IS APPROPRIATE FOR THE DEPARTMENT IN
16 CONSULTATION WITH THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO PROVIDE US WITH A
17 LIST OF THOSE WHO CURRENTLY MAY BE OUT OF COMPLIANCE. IF
18 THAT'S THE CASE, WE CAN DISPOSE OF THIS MATTER IN A WAY THAT
19 IS CONSISTENT WITH THE BEST OF WHAT WE MIGHT DO TO DISPATCH
20 OUR PUBLIC RESPONSIBILITIES. ONE, MAINTAINING CONTINUITY AND,
21 TWO, MAINTAINING HIGHER LEVELS OF ACCOUNTABILITY. THANK YOU.
22 MR. CHAIRMAN, I WOULD SO MOVE.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. MOVED AND SECONDED. AFFORD
25 THIS GENTLEMAN AN OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK BRIEFLY. BRIEFLY.



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2 **JOHN HITCHCOCK:** I'M JOHN HITCHCOCK BEGIN FROM HILLSIDE. I'M ON
3 THAT LIST OF AGENCIES THAT SUPPOSEDLY OWE \$4,000. THE AUDITOR
4 CAME OUT LAST YEAR AND DID A SAMPLE OF OUR EXPENSES AND FOUND
5 \$4,000 WORTH OF ITEMS THAT THEY FELT WERE EITHER NOT-- WE
6 HADN'T DONE ENOUGH DOCUMENTATION TO JUSTIFY THE EXPENSE OR
7 THAT IT WASN'T AN ALLOWABLE COST. THEY DIDN'T DO A FULL AUDIT
8 OF ALL OF OUR EXPENSES. THIS IS AN AGENCY THAT THAT YEAR
9 CAUSED 6.5 MILLION TO TAKE CARE OF THE COUNTY KIDS. EXCUSE ME.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** YES, SIR. I APOLOGIZE.

12

13 **JOHN HITCHCOCK:** I'M HOPING YOU'RE LISTENING TO ME, SUPERVISOR,
14 BECAUSE THIS IS AN ISSUE THAT I'M VERY UPSET ABOUT BECAUSE WE
15 SUBSIDIZE YOUR KIDS BY A MILLION AND A HALF PRIVATE DOLLARS.
16 THEY DID A SAMPLING OF OUR EXPENSES. HAD THEY DONE A FULL
17 AUDIT OF ALL OF OUR EXPENSES, THEY WOULD HAVE FOUND MORE THAN
18 \$5 MILLION WORTH OF ALLOWABLE COSTS, SO FOR THEM TO THEN HAND
19 YOU A SLIP THAT SAYS WE OWE THEM \$4,000 INFURIATES ME. I THINK
20 IT'S INCOMPETENT, I THINK THEY KNEW IT WHEN THEY GAVE IT, I
21 SPOKE TO THE AUDITOR ABOUT THIS, I SPOKE TO D.C.F.S. ABOUT
22 THIS, AND THEY CONTINUE TO PERPETUATE THIS MYTH THAT SOMEHOW
23 WE OWE YOU \$4,000. I THINK WHAT YOU OUGHT TO REALLY BE WORRIED
24 ABOUT AND BEGIN TO LOOK AT IS HOW MUCH WE SPENT IN AUDITING
25 US. I ESTIMATE THAT THEY SPENT \$37,000 TO AUDIT US AND FIND



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1 \$4,000, AND THAT'S BASED UPON THEY'RE SAYING THEY HAD TWO
2 AUDITORS WORKING FOR FOUR WEEKS AT \$100 AN HOUR, WHICH I THINK
3 IS A LOWBALL ESTIMATE AND PLUNGED TO 3700.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** CAN I RESPOND TO MR. HITCHCOCK?

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO. WE HAVE AN ITEM. THIS IS A
8 PARTNERSHIP. I'M NOT TRYING TO CREATE A DEBATE, I THOUGHT IT
9 WAS FAIR FOR YOU TO RESPOND TO SOME OF THE COMMENTS. WE'RE
10 RESPONSIBLE FOR THE KIDS' LIVES OF WE'RE PARTNERS. WE'VE GOT
11 SEPARATE ISSUES HERE. ONE, WE HAVE THE ISSUES THAT SUPERVISOR
12 MOLINA IS RAISING, WHICH ARE VERY, VERY IMPORTANT, WE HAVE--
13 BUT THIS IS BEING DRIVEN BY SOMETHING THAT'S OUT OF OUR
14 CONTROL WHERE THE STATE IS STILL LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
15 SUPERVISORS AND IT'S PUTTING US AT ODDS. I DISAGREE, BRUCE.
16 OKAY? YOU THINK EVERYTHING IS PURE AND SIMPLE?

17

18 **BRUCE SALTZER:** NO, NO, I DIDN'T SAY THAT. WE UNDERSTAND THAT--

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU'RE RIGHT, BUT WE HAVE OTHER ISSUES
21 TO DEAL WITH. OKAY? SO WE'VE GOT TO MOVE. I HAVE TO LET
22 SUPERVISOR MOLINA RESPOND. MR. HITCHCOCK, YOUR AMOUNT IS R--
23 \$2,600 THAT I KNOW OF. I UNDERSTAND IN THIS PROCESS THAT YOU
24 ARE TRYING TO WORK IT OUT. THAT IS A VERY RESPONSIBLE ACTION.

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1 **JOHN HITCHCOCK:** NO, I'M NOT TRYING TO WORK IT OUT. I'M TRYING
2 TO TELL THE COUNTY THAT I DO NOT OWE THEM THAT MONEY.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** OKAY. LET'S JUST SAY-- AND I'VE HAD THESE DEBATES
5 WITH OTHER PEOPLE AS WELL, THAT YOU WANT TO SUBSTANTIATE, AND
6 I APPRECIATE THAT, BUT WE'RE NOT TALKING ABOUT THE LEVEL OF--
7 WE'RE HOPING THAT YOU WILL CONTINUE TO WORK AND THAT
8 PARTNERSHIP SHOULD WORK, BUT WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT, WHEN IT
9 IS CLEARLY MONEY, AND WE'RE TALKING 700,000 FOR ONE AGENCY,
10 700,000 OF TOTAL DISALLOWED COSTS THAT THEY AGREED WERE
11 DISALLOWED, AND WHEN WE STARTED THE PAYMENT PLAN, THEY LEFT
12 TOWN. THAT'S WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT. AND SOME OF THE PEOPLE
13 IN THE ASSOCIATION, I THINK IT'S SOMETHING THE ASSOCIATION
14 NEEDS TO TAKE UP BECAUSE THIS--

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S NOT OUR AGENCY THAT--

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT, I DON'T KNOW. THE POINT IS, THE POINT IS
19 THAT, AGAIN, IT'S HARD FOR US TO TELL KNOW THE GOOD GUYS WHEN
20 THE BAD GUYS ARE MAKING YOU ALSO LOOK BAD. THAT'S NOT MY
21 INTENT. MY ATTENTION IS TO BRING IT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE
22 BOARD BECAUSE WE NEED TO WATCH IT CLOSER. YOU ARE CORRECT.
23 THIS IS MONEY THAT RIGHT FULLY GOES TO CHILDREN AND SHOULD BE
24 GOING TO CHILDREN, SO MY CONCERN IS-- THERE ARE SOME ISSUES
25 AND SOME OF THEM THAT I HAVE RAISED THAT NEED TO BE CLARIFIED.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** JUST THE POINT RELATIVE, YOU HAD ONE WHO
5 TESTIFIED TODAY THAT THEY OWED \$259,000 AND THEY STILL HAVEN'T
6 MADE AN APPOINTMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT TO PAY BACK THOSE
7 FUNDS.

8

9 **BRUCE SALTZER:** WE DON'T REPRESENT THE RELATIVE HOMES.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU DON'T REPRESENT UNITED CARE?

12

13 **BRUCE SALTZER:** PARDON?

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU DON'T REPRESENT UNITE CARE?

16

17 **BRUCE SALTZER:** THAT'S AN F.F.A. THAT'S NOT ONE OF THE HOMES.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, POINT OF ORDER. POINT OF
20 ORDER, MR. CHAIR.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE CAN GO THROUGH THESE ONE BY ONE OR WE
23 CAN MOVE ON WITH THE BUDGET AND TRY TO GO THROUGH THE
24 PROBLEMS. WHO OWES WHAT IS A SEPARATE PROBLEM AND I THINK
25 SUPERVISOR MOLINA RAISED AN ISSUE. WE STILL HAVE A BUDGET TO



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1 ADOPT AND A BUDGET TO PROCESS. [CLAPPING] (OVERLAPPING
2 VOICES)

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'RE COMING BACK IN 30 DAYS. SUPERVISOR
5 MOLINA CAN GET THAT ANSWER AND IT'S JUSTIFIED AND POINTS ARE
6 MADE, SO LET'S JUST MOVE ON, COME BACK. THAT'S IT. ALL RIGHT.
7 SO ORDERED.

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, I HAVE A QUESTION.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO DEFEND THE
14 GOOD NAME OF MY AGENCY THAT SUPERVISOR MOLINA CHOSE TO--

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CERTAINLY. BRING IN DINNER. [LAUGHTER]

17

18 **SPEAKER:** WITH ALL DUE RESPECT, GENTLEMEN. FIRST OF ALL, I OWE,
19 AS A RESULT OF AN L.A. COUNTY AUDITOR-CONTROLLER AUDIT, THERE
20 WAS AN AMOUNT OF 91,000 THAT'S DETERMINED TO BE UNALLOWABLE.
21 THERE WAS ANOTHER AMOUNT, THE BALANCE OF \$229,000 WHICH WAS
22 DETERMINED TO BE UNDOCUMENTED, AND THE REASON FOR THE
23 UNDOCUMENTED IS BECAUSE MY ACCOUNTANT OF FIVE YEARS CHOSE TO
24 GO ON A SHOPPING SPREE WITH OUR CREDIT CARD, RUN UP \$91,000 IN
25 PERSONAL CHARGES AND THEN TO TAKE OUR RECORDS SO WE COULDN'T



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1 JUSTIFY THE ADDITIONAL BALANCE. NOW, THAT INDIVIDUAL WAS DEALT
2 WITH. THE OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO HAVE OUR DUE PROCESS
3 OPPORTUNITY, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, TO MEET WITH THE DEPARTMENT
4 WAS DENIED US IN APRIL WHEN SUE HARPER'S OFFICE CALLED US AND
5 CANCELED AN APPOINTMENT WE HAD WITH HER TO SIT DOWN AND
6 EXPLORE OUR DUE PROCESS RIGHT TO DISPUTE THE CHARGES AND TO
7 WORK OUT AN ARRANGEMENT. UNITED CARE IS GOING NOWHERE. WE'RE
8 NOT ONE OF THOSE AGENCIES THAT YOU POINTED TO A MOMENT AGO
9 THAT YOU SAID DISAPPEARS WHEN WE OWE THE COUNTY MONEY.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHERE IS THE RESOLUTION OF THE 229,000?

12

13 **SPEAKER:** WHERE IS THE DUE PROCESS FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO
14 RESOLVE IT. THAT'S WHAT WE'RE ASKING FOR, AND THAT'S ALL WE'RE
15 ASKING FOR.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. CHAIRMAN--

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN?

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE POINT BEING IS THAT HE HAD A
22 MEETING, IT WAS CANCELED.

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** POINT OF ORDER HERE. IS THERE A POINT OF
25 ORDER HERE? SIR? JUST A MOMENT, SIR. [OVERLAPPING VOICES]



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** POINT OF ORDER. WE HAVE A MOTION AND A
3 SECOND. WE HAVE ONE QUESTION.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WANTED TO ASK THE C.E.O. QUESTION, BUT
6 I'LL LET MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS FINISH.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THERE IS A DUE PROCESS
9 PROCEDURE THAT OUGHT TO BE FOLLOWED. IF IT IS OFF TRACK, WE
10 OUGHT TO DO ALL WE CAN TO MAKE SURE THAT IT IS ON TRACK. AND I
11 CAN'T IMAGINE IF GENERIC REFERENCES WERE MADE, ANYONE WOULD
12 FEEL OBLIGED TO SPEAK IN SPECIFIC TERMS ABOUT THE CIRCUMSTANCE
13 WITHOUT HAVING FOLLOWED OR PARTICIPATED IN THAT DUE PROCESS.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO IF YOU WANT DUE PROCESS, PROTECT
18 YOURSELF BY PURSUING THE DUE PROCESS.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** YES, SIR.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THIS IS NOT THE PLACE TO DO IT.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** EXACTLY. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, YOU HAD
25 A QUESTION FOR THE C.E.O..



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SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I JUST, ON THE RECOMMENDATION YOU'RE MAKING,
IF I WERE SITTING IN THE AGENCY'S-- STANDING IN THEIR SHOES, I
WOULD BE ASKING MYSELF, WHAT HAPPENS IN 30 DAYS, WHAT CAN WE
EXPECT, WHAT CAN WE NOT EXPECT, BECAUSE IF WE DON'T INTEND TO
MAKE SOMEBODY USE THE PHRASE, MAKE THEM WHOLE, I DON'T KNOW
WHERE I HEARD THAT, BUT IS IT REASONABLE FOR THEM TO EXPECT
THAT IN 30 DAYS YOU'RE GOING TO COME UP WITH A PLAN THAT'S
GOING TO MAKE THEM WHOLE OR NOT? IF NOT, THEY NEED TO KNOW
THAT, AND MAYBE IN THE NEXT 30 DAYS TO CALIBRATE THEIR
SPENDING AND THEIR OWN FISCAL YEAR PLANS, OR IF WE ARE GOING
TO MAKE THEM WHOLE, THEN THAT, TOO. WHAT'S THE ADVICE YOU
WOULD GIVE?

14

C.E.O. FUJIOKA: IF MAKING THEM WHOLE MEANS BACK-FILLING THE
STATE, THAT'S NOT GOING TO HAPPEN. NEED TO STICK WITH THAT
POLICY. IF-- WE ALSO MENTIONED THAT WE WERE WORKING WITH
COUNTY COUNSEL.

19

SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: BEFORE YOU GET TO THAT ONE, WITH RESPECT TO--
- WITH RESPECT TO THE BACKFILLING THE STATE CUT, DOES THAT
MEAN THE DOLLAR AMOUNT, WHETHER IT'S BACKFILLING, OR HOWEVER
THEY WANT TO DESCRIBE IT, IF THEY LOST \$100,000, THEY CANNOT--
AN AGENCY CANNOT EXPECT, SHOULD NOT EXPECT THAT WE ARE GOING
TO PUT \$100,000 BACK IN TO PLUG THAT HOLE?



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2 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THAT'S ACCURATE. AND THERE WAS ALSO A
3 STATEMENT MADE, I DON'T WANT TO DEBATE IT, WITH THE PEOPLE IN
4 THE AUDIENCE, BUT WHAT THE LEGAL--

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S A REPORT BACK ON. THAT'S WHY YOU
7 CAN HAVE COUNTY COUNSEL MEET WITH YOU, THAT'S WHY YOU HAVE
8 COUNTY COUNSEL MEET WITH THE DEPARTMENT, THAT'S WHY WE'RE
9 GOING TO HAVE COUNTY COUNSEL MEET WITH THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER.

10

11 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** AND THAT'S WHAT WE'RE ADDRESSING IN THE
12 REPORT.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND TO FINISH THE ANSWER TO MR.
15 YAROSLAVSKY'S QUESTION, WHAT SHOULD THEY EXPECT, AND THEY
16 SHOULD NOT EXPECT, A PULL BACK.

17

18 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WHAT I DID MENTION EARLIER IS THAT THE
19 OPPORTUNITY TO LOOK AT NEW PROGRAMS OR ADDITIONAL SERVICES, WE
20 ADDRESS THAT WITH THESE INDIVIDUALS WHO WORK WITH D.C.F.S. ON
21 THAT PARTICULAR ISSUE.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT WILL ALSO BE IN THE CONTEXT OF THE
24 LEGAL ADVICE THAT YOU GET, WHAT'S ALLOWABLE AND WHAT ISN'T
25 ALLOWABLE, BUT IT IS NOT LIKELY THAT THE NEW PROGRAMS WOULD



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1 EQUAL IN AMOUNT THE AMOUNT THAT THEY LOST. IT'S A QUESTION,
2 NOT A STATEMENT.

3

4 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I DON'T WANT TO RAISE-- AND I SAID THAT
5 EARLIER ABOUT RAISING EXPECTATIONS UNNECESSARILY HIGH, BUT I
6 THINK IT'S WORTH, GIVEN THE CONCERNS I'VE HEARD, IT'S WORTH
7 TAKING THE NEXT 30 DAYS TO LOOK AT THIS ISSUE.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT THEY NEED TO LOOK AT THEIR SIDE OF THE
10 LEDGER, TOO, IS THE MESSAGE, AND I JUST-- I GUESS MY CONCERN
11 IS THAT THERE'S NOT ANYTHING VIEWED AS A 30-DAY REPRIEVE AND
12 THEN 30 DAYS YOU COME BACK AND HAVING HAD YOUR EXPECTATIONS
13 RAISED, YOU'RE THEN 30 DAYS FURTHER INTO THE FISCAL YEAR AND
14 THE PRESSURE AND THE REMEDY IS EVEN MORE DRACONIAN. I MEAN,
15 YOU HAVE DONE A GOOD JOB FLOODING US WITH LETTERS, THEY'RE ALL
16 GOING TO BE ANSWERED, BUT THE LETTERS BACK AND FORTH ARE NOT
17 GOING TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM, I GUESS, IF WE DON'T COME TO THE
18 MOUNTAIN ON THE REAL ISSUE, WHICH IS YOU GOT CUT BY THE STATE,
19 WE GOT CUT BY THE STATE, WE ALL GOT CUT BY THE STATE, AND I
20 DON'T KNOW HOW MANY LETTERS YOU'VE FLOODED TO YOUR LAWMAKERS
21 IN ASSEMBLY, BUT WHEN THEY DID SLASH THE BUDGET, I ALWAYS WARN
22 -- ALL OF US WARNED EACH OTHER THAT WHEN IT'S A LOCAL CALL,
23 CALL FROM SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TO THE HALL OF ADMINISTRATION,
24 IT'S A TOLL CALL TO CALL SACRAMENTO, AND IT'S NOT GOING TO
25 WORK THAT WAY THIS TIME, SO I REALLY URGE YOU GUYS TO START



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1 LOOKING INWARD BECAUSE I DON'T THINK YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE 100
2 PERCENT SATISFACTION IN 30 DAYS. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. WE HAVE A MOTION AND A
5 SECOND. AS I RESTATED A WHILE BACK, C.E.O., COUNTY COUNSEL,
6 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER AND THE DEPARTMENT MEET AND, YOU KNOW, AT
7 SOME POINT, WE WANT THE MEETINGS TO INCLUDE THE ASSOCIATION
8 BECAUSE OBVIOUSLY THEY MIGHT KNOW SOME OTHER IDEAS THAT THEY
9 MIGHT HAVE AS WELL TOO. OKAY? WITH THAT, SO ORDERED. I WOULD
10 ADD, NOTHING TO DO WITH THIS, BUT WE DO HAVE A PRETTY BAD FIRE
11 GOING OUT THERE RIGHT NOW IN VENTURA COUNTY. A THOUSAND ACRES
12 ALREADY. IT'S MOVING STRAIGHT WEST. ALL RIGHT. OKAY. WE'RE
13 STILL ON ITEM 50.

14

15 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES, SIR. LET ME GET TO THE MEAT OF THE
16 REPORT. I'LL TRY TO BE AS QUICK OR PRECISE AS POSSIBLE. THE
17 BASIC RECOMMENDATION IS THAT YOU APPROVE THE ATTACHED CHANGES
18 AND CORRESPONDING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENTS, AND AS FOR
19 NUMBERS 1 THROUGH 152, WHAT I DO NEED TO READ IN A CHANGE FOR
20 ITEM 127 AND 126, AND I'LL GET TO THAT SHORTLY, AND THAT'S TO
21 THE FISCAL YEAR 2009/2010 GENERAL COUNTY BUDGET. THESE CHANGES
22 WILL TRANSFER 178,199,000 CONTINGENCY BUDGETS FULLY OFFSET BY
23 REVENUE AND TRANSFER APPROPRIATION FROM ONE BUDGET UNIT TO
24 ANOTHER OR REDIRECT THE EXISTING APPROPRIATION OF REVENUE AS A
25 RESULT OF ADMINISTERED CHANGES. NOW, WITH RESPECT TO 27 AND



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1 126, IF I CAN READ A CHANGE PLEASE, WE'RE RECOMMENDING THAT
2 THE FULL 15.966 MILLION DOLLARS IN ONE-TIME K.D.A. SAVINGS BE
3 SET ASIDE IN P.F.U. FOR FUTURE BOARD CONSIDERATION INSTEAD OF
4 MOVING 1.423 MILLION INTO D.C.F.S.'S ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET,
5 AND WITH RESPECT TO NUMBER 126, WE'RE RECOMMENDING THAT
6 965,000 IN N.C.C. AND THEN THE ELIMINATION OF ONE BUDGETED
7 POSITION FROM D.C.F.S.'S ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET BE TRANSFERRED
8 TO P.F.U. AS CONTINGENCY FUNDING FOR POTENTIAL CASELOAD
9 OVERSIGHT INSTEAD OF WHAT'S STATED, 993,000 AND ELIMINATION OF
10 TWO BUDGETED POSITIONS, AND THIS IS A CONCERN FOR
11 ADMINISTRATIVE POSITION THAT IS CURRENTLY IN I.C.A.N. GOING ON
12 TO THE SECOND RECOMMENDATION IS TO APPROVE RECOMMENDED CHANGES
13 AND CORRESPONDING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENTS AND THEN LISTED
14 UNDER NUMBERS 153 TO 194 TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2009/2010 SPECIAL
15 FUNDS AND SPECIAL DISTRICTS BUDGET. I'M NOT GOING TO GO
16 THROUGH THE WHOLE REPORT BECAUSE I MENTIONED THAT THE ONE
17 CONCERN WE HAVE IS THAT OUR REVENUES ARE STILL-- WE'RE NOT
18 SEEING A SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN THE REVENUES, WE'RE NOT
19 SEEING IMPROVEMENT SO AS A CONSEQUENCE, WE'RE ASKING THAT WE
20 CONTINUE WITH BEING AS CONSERVATIVE AS POSSIBLE AND THAT WE DO
21 WHATEVER'S NECESSARY TO SEEK FULL COMPLIANCE WITH OUR FISCAL
22 POLICIES AND TO EXERCISE FISCAL PRUDENCE. WE HAVE INFORMATION
23 ON THE STATE, SOMETHING HAS HAPPENED SINCE OUR FINAL BUDGET,
24 THAT'S WITH RESPECT TO PROPOSITION 1-A. AS YOU KNOW, IT ALLOWS
25 A ONE-TIME TRANSFER OF APPROXIMATELY 1.3 MILLION IN TRANSFER



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1 TAX. SENATE BILL 67 FAILED TO PASS BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE, SO
2 AS A CONSEQUENCE, UNLESS LEGISLATIVE ACTION IS TAKEN, THAT THE
3 SECURITY AMORTIZATION OF THOSE FUNDS WOULD NOT BE ADDRESSED
4 UNTIL MARCH OF 2010. THAT WILL CREATE A CASH FLOW PROBLEM FOR
5 US. IT'S AN ISSUE THAT--

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THEIR INTENT
8 TO GO BACK, BE IN SPECIAL SESSION TO TAKE CARE OF THAT. THAT'S
9 CLEARLY ON THEIR RADAR. I WAS WITH A FORMER LEGISLATOR THE
10 OTHER DAY AND SAW MANY MEMBERS AND TALKED TO THEM ABOUT THAT
11 AND THEY'RE GOING TO GET BACK THERE AND TAKE CARE OF THAT.

12

13 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IT IMPACTS EVERY STATE AND CITY IN CALIFORNIA.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S IMPORTANT BECAUSE WE CAN'T LET UP.
16 WE NEED TO REMIND THEM HOW IMPORTANT IT IS, AND IT WILL IMPACT
17 EVERY COUNTY AND CITY IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AND I DON'T
18 THINK THAT THEY WANT THAT RAP, THEY'VE GOT ENOUGH ALREADY.

19

20 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** OUR GENERAL FUNDS, FISCAL YEAR '08/'09 ENDED
21 THE YEAR WITH A 1.7 BILLION FUND BALANCE. OF THAT AMOUNT, 1.5
22 BILLION WAS ALREADY APPROVED AS FUND BALANCE IN THE FISCAL
23 YEAR 2009/2010 ADOPTED BUDGET. TODAY WE'RE ASKING THAT WE MOVE
24 178 MILLION DOLLARS TO THE APPROPRIATION FOR CONTINGENCIES. IN
25 OUR REPORT, WITHOUT GOING THROUGH EVERY SINGLE ACTION, WE



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1 STATE WHICH WE USED ON A MATERIAL FUND BALANCE PROCESS OF \$151
2 MILLION OF THAT AMOUNT, THEN WE FURTHER STATE HOW WE SHOULD
3 USE ADDITIONAL FUND BALANCE OF 27.4 BILLION DOLLARS BY SETTING
4 SOME ASIDE IN OUR ECONOMIC RESERVES, ONE IS A RAINY DAY
5 RESERVE, THE SECOND IS A PROVISIONAL USES OF ECONOMIC RESERVE
6 BUDGET. THERE'S ANOTHER 12.5 MILLION DOLLARS THAT WE RECOMMEND
7 WE PUT ASIDE IN THE P.F.U. THAT WILL BACK UP SOME OF THE
8 REVENUE ASSUMPTIONS FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. WE'VE HAD A
9 NUMBER OF REPORTS THAT DETAILS THE STATE BUDGET IMPACT AT THIS
10 POINT IN TIME, IT'S ABOUT \$150 MILLION IN A REDUCTION IN
11 STATE-- WELL, OF THAT 150 MILLION, \$147 MILLION REPRESENTS
12 REDUCTION IN STATE REVENUES, AND WITH THAT, A.9 REDUCTION IN
13 NET COUNTY COSTS. I WILL GO OVER EACH ONE OF THOSE ITEMS.
14 WE'VE SENT A NUMBER OF REPORTS TO YOU AS PART OF OUR
15 SACRAMENTO UPDATES AND THE IMPACT IT HAS. WE HAVE A FEW
16 CRITICAL ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES, BUT BEFORE I GET TO THERE, I
17 MENTIONED EARLIER WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH PROPERTY TAX. PROPERTY
18 TAXES, AS WE KNOW, THERE'S A LOT OF REASSESSMENTS, WE KNOW
19 THAT IT'S FLATTENED OUT FOR US. WE WERE FORTUNATE WHERE IT
20 HASN'T TAKEN AS SEVERE A HIT AS SOME OF THE INLAND COUNTIES
21 HERE IN CALIFORNIA. WE'VE HAD BASICALLY A ZERO GROWTH, BUT
22 IT'S STILL-- I KNOW IN OUR BUDGET, INITIAL BUDGET, WE
23 ESTIMATED A MINUS.77 PERCENT, BUT NOW WE'RE AT A ZERO GROWTH
24 THAT HAS RESULTED IN SOME ADDITIONAL REVENUE THAT WE CAN
25 FACTOR INTO THIS BUDGET. BEGINNING OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE



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1 CHANGES, WE DO HAVE A RECOMMENDATION TO ADD 5.2 MILLION
2 DOLLARS IN FUNDING TO OUR CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES TO
3 SUPPORT AN ADDITIONAL 33 POSITIONS THAT ARE CRITICAL TO
4 IMPROVING THE OVERALL MANAGEMENT, THE OVERALL PROVISION OF
5 SERVICES IN D.C.F.S.. WE FEEL IT WILL GO A LONG WAYS IN
6 ADDRESSING SOME OF THE RECENT TRAGIC EVENTS IN D.C.F.S..
7 THERE'S ALSO AN EDUCATION PILOT PROGRAM AND IT'S FOR D.C.F.S.
8 AND IT HAS BEEN DEVELOPED IN CONCERT WITH THE FIRST DISTRICT
9 TO COORDINATE THE WORK OF SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM THAT
10 MONTEBELLO AND POMONA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICTS, AND LAST IS
11 THE MONEY THAT SUPPORTED A NUMBER OF CAPITAL PROJECTS THAT WE
12 NEED TO MOVE FORWARD IN THE COUNTY THIS YEAR. DEPARTMENT OF
13 HEALTH SERVICES, WE HAVE STAFF FROM THE DEPARTMENT, I DON'T
14 KNOW TO WHAT EXTENT YOU WANT ME TO GO OVER THEIR CHANGES, BUT
15 THEY HAVE-- THERE'S A NUMBER OF RECOMMENDATIONS THAT REFLECT
16 THE TOTAL BUDGET FOR D.H.S. OF 3.5 BILLION, FOR 20,098 BUDGET
17 POSITIONS AND OF THAT, A NET COUNTY COST APPROPRIATION OF \$686
18 MILLION. WE GO OVER THROUGH THIS WITHOUT READING EVERY SINGLE
19 PAGE. SOME OF THE RECOMMENDED CHANGES THAT ARE CRITICAL TO
20 SUPPORT THE DEPARTMENT'S MISSION AND ALSO TO REFLECT SOME OF
21 THE PROGRAM AND POSITION CHANGES THAT WE INTEND TO SEND
22 FORWARD. IT'S IMPORTANT BECAUSE SOME HAVE EXPRESSED CONCERN
23 ABOUT SOME OF THESE CHANGES, AND MOST INSTANCES, YOU'LL SEE
24 THE DEPARTMENT IS RECOMMENDING OR ASKING FOR ADDITIONAL
25 POSITIONS, AND YOU'LL SEE THAT THEY'RE OFFSETTING THAT REQUEST



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1 BY DELETING BUDGETED POSITIONS FOR A NET ZERO COST INCREASE. I
2 THINK THE LAST THING I NEED TO HIGHLIGHT IS WHAT'S HAPPENING
3 WITH OUR SPECIAL FUNDS IN SPECIAL DISTRICTS, OUR FIRE
4 DEPARTMENT AS A CONSEQUENCE OF WHAT'S HAPPENING THROUGH THE
5 REVENUE THAT SUPPORTS THAT DEPARTMENT SHOWS A NET REDUCTION OF
6 \$15.1 MILLION IN AVAILABLE FUNDING, AND THAT THE MENTAL HEALTH
7 SERVICES ACT REFLECTS AN INCREASE IN APPROPRIATION OF \$22
8 MILLION FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROJECTS, AND THAT'S
9 ASSOCIATED WITH THE INTEGRATIVE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH INFORMATION
10 SYSTEM. THAT'S ESSENTIALLY THE HIGHLIGHTS. IF YOU HAVE ANY
11 QUESTIONS OVER THIS ASPECT OR SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET REQUEST,
12 EITHER I CAN ANSWER OR WE HAVE TWO STAFF STANDING BY ALL DAY
13 TO ANSWER YOUR ISSUES.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS AT
16 THIS POINT IN TIME? I KNOW I HAVE A MOTION I'D LIKE TO
17 INTRODUCE. THIS WOULD BE THE APPROPRIATE ONE. I'LL HAVE MY
18 STAFF PASS IT OUT. EARLY 1990S, THE CONCEPT OF A JOINT TASK
19 FOR COMPRISED OF ALL COUNTY CODE ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES CAPABLE
20 OF ABATING MULTIPLE CODE VIOLATION ON PRIVATE PROPERTY WAS
21 INTRODUCED. 2006, THE COUNTY ASSEMBLED THIS MULTI-AGENCY TASK
22 FORCE TO WORK TO ABATE VERY DIFFICULT CODE VIOLATIONS AND
23 PUBLIC NUISANCE CONDITIONS AT PRIVATE PROPERTY. THAT APPROACH
24 BECAME KNOWN AS THE NUISANCE ABATEMENT TEAM. THERE ARE
25 CURRENTLY 12 OPERATING THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. COMPLAINTS ARE



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1 REFERRED TO THEM FOR SEVERE CODE VIOLATIONS, SECURITY CONCERNS
2 FOR INSPECTION STAFF. WHEN A COMPLAINT IS REPORTED TO
3 A.N.A.T., THEY DETERMINE WHICH AGENCY IS NEEDED, THEN THEY DO
4 COORDINATION COMMUNICATION. ULTIMATELY IF THE PROPERTY OWNER
5 REFUSES TO COMPLY, A CRIMINAL OR CIVIL CASE CAN BE FILED WITH
6 THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY OR COUNTY COUNSEL. SO WITH THIS, MULTI-
7 AGENCY COOPERATION, HIGH RATE OF COMPLIANCE IS VALUABLE TO
8 HELPING ITSELF. ABOUT 80 PERCENT OF THESE PROPERTIES ARE
9 CLEANED UP VOLUNTARILY BY THE OWNERS, BUT OBVIOUSLY THE
10 A.N.A.T. CONTINUES TO BE A GREAT TOOL. ON MAY 13TH, 2009, THE
11 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECTED THE TO IDENTIFY OPTION TO
12 MAINTAINING THIS VITAL PROGRAM. I WOULD THERE MOVE THAT THE
13 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE C.E.O. TO ALLOCATE 1,250,000
14 TO THE 2009/2010 DISTRICT ATTORNEYS BUDGET FROM THE
15 DESIGNATION TO BE USED SOLELY FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONTINUING
16 THE NUISANCE ABATEMENT TEAM PROGRAM. OKAY. SO ORDERED.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** 273 NEW POSITIONS THAT RECOMMENDED FOR
19 D.P.S.S. WILL THEY BE IN ITEMS THAT MAY BE ELIMINATED ONCE THE
20 FUNDING IS ELIMINATED AND IF NOT, HOW WOULD THE COUNTY PAY FOR
21 THOSE 273 POSITIONS IF THEY DIDN'T RECEIVE ADDITIONAL FUNDING?

22

23 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE QUESTION IS WHETHER OR NOT THEY'LL BE IN
24 ITEMS OR GRANT ITEMS?

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT.

2

3 **DEBBIE LIZZARI:** I WOULD IMAGINE THEY WENT IN AS AN ITEM
4 BECAUSE IT'S REVENUE THAT I THINK THAT THEY EXPECT AT THIS
5 POINT TO SEE CONTINUED AND NOT A ONE-TIME SOURCE.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO YOU WOULD HAVE THE REVENUES TO FUND THEM?

8

9 **DEBBIE LIZZARI:** CORRECT. ADDITIONAL FEDERAL DOLLARS.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND HOW WOULD PARK MAINTENANCE BE IMPACTED BY
12 THE PROPOSED CUT IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET?

13

14 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** HOW WILL PARK MAINTENANCE? THE PARK HAS BEEN
15 ASKED TO ADDRESS ANY CURTAILMENTS IN THEIR MAINTENANCE
16 FUNCTION BY TRYING TO HIRE FOLKS TO THE T.A.N.F. PROGRAM, AND
17 SO WE NEED TO GO THROUGH THAT PROCESS AND THEN ASK THE PARKS
18 COME BACK AND THEY CAN COME BACK WITHIN 30 TO 60 DAYS AND THEN
19 ADDRESS THE IMPACT, BECAUSE WE THOUGHT THERE WAS AN
20 OPPORTUNITY THROUGH THE T.A.N.F. PROGRAM TO STILL FULFILL THIS
21 NEED.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DID YOU ENTER ANY FUNDS THROUGH THE
24 PRODUCTIVITY QUALITY COMMISSION?

25



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1 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NOT AT THIS POINT. THAT'S SOMETHING THAT WHERE
2 WE'RE AT ECONOMICALLY, WE DID NOT INCLUDE SOMETHING IN THE
3 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET. THAT MIGHT BE SOMETHING WE COULD ADDRESS.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE COULD ASK FOR A LETTER TO YOU TO LOOK FOR
6 ADDITIONAL FUNDING THAT'S AVAILABLE?

7

8 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE CAN DO THAT, COME BACK.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I WOULD MAKE THAT AS A MOTION, MR. CHAIRMAN.
11 A LETTER TO THE C.E.O. SEARCHING FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS IF THEY
12 ARE AVAILABLE. LET ME ALSO ASK THE BUDGET INCLUDES TWO
13 ADDITIONAL POSITIONS IN THE OFFICE ON SUSTAIN ABILITY. WITH
14 THESE TWO, HOW MANY ARE NOW THERE COUNTY-WIDE FOR
15 SUSTAINABILITY, GREEN INITIATIVE IT WAS OR ANY OTHER EFFORTS
16 TO REDUCE THE GLOBAL WARMING AND HOW MUCH IS BEING SPENT ON
17 THIS EFFORT? QUESTION ON THE NEW POSITIONS IN THE COUNTY
18 OFFICES SUSTAINABILITY.

19

20 **ELLEN SANDT:** THESE TWO POSITIONS WOULD BE THE FIRST THAT WOULD
21 CREATE THE COUNTY OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY. THEY ALSO HAVE
22 SOME POSITIONS THAT THEY HAD HELD VACANT THAT THEY WERE GOING
23 TO REASSIGN INTERNALLY, SO IT WOULD BE A TOTAL OF FIVE AND
24 THAT WOULD CREATE THE OFFICE. THEN SUBSEQUENTLY, WE'RE HOPING
25 TO HEAR BACK FROM THE STATE VERY SOON ON THE GRANT FUNDING



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1 BECAUSE WE WERE GOING TO USE SOME OF THAT GRANT TO START THE
2 LOW INTEREST LOAN PROGRAM SO THAT HOMEOWNERS CAN MAKE ENERGY
3 EFFICIENCY PROJECTS IN THEIR HOMES. ONCE THAT PROGRAM IS
4 APPROVED, HOPEFULLY, THEN WE'D ANTICIPATE WE WOULD BE COMING
5 BACK AND REQUEST ADDITIONAL STAFF TO BECOME PART OF THIS
6 OFFICE, TOO.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT IS THE COST OF THIS?

9

10 **ELLEN SANDT:** THE INITIAL PART RIGHT NOW--

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FIVE POSITIONS?

13

14 **ELLEN SANDT:** WITHIN THE EXISTING BUDGET, THEY'RE BEING FUNDED
15 ALREADY, THERE'S NOT A NEW COST.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS WILL BE ASSIGNING PERSONNEL. THE
18 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET ALSO INCLUDES AN INCREASE OF 35 BUDGET
19 POSITIONS FOR DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES. HOW MANY OF THOSE
20 POSITIONS DO THEY HAVE BUDGETED FOR? IS THERE ANY DUPLICATION
21 OF EFFORTS BETWEEN THE COUNTY'S CENTRAL HUMAN RESOURCES
22 DEPARTMENT AND THE D.H.S.'S POSITIONS?

23

24 **ELLEN SANDT:** LET ME TALK ABOUT THE D.H.A. SIDE OF IT. THE RISK
25 MANAGEMENT REPORT WE'RE GOING TO BE COMING BACK TO YOU ON IN A



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1 WEEK OR SO ARE SO THAT WE CAN HAVE MORE IN-DEPTH DISCUSSION
2 ABOUT IT. ON THE D.H.R. SIDE, WE'RE IN THE MIDDLE OF A
3 CONSULTANT STUDY LOOKING AT HOW WE DO EXAMINATION AND
4 RECRUITMENT, THEN WE WERE GOING TO PROPOSE THE PILOT PROGRAM
5 FOR THE NEXT FEW MONTHS AND LOOK TO SEE HOW WE MIGHT ROLL IT
6 OUT STAFF AND COUNTY WIDE.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE STUDY WILL BE COMPLETED WHEN?

9

10 **ELLEN SANDT:** IN OCTOBER.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS OCTOBER.

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14 **ELLEN SANDT:** THIS OCTOBER, UH-HUH, AND THEN WE'RE HOPING TO
15 HAVE THE PILOT DONE BY DECEMBER HOPES TO DO A PILOT AS AN
16 EFFICIENT WAY TO DO RECRUITMENT, AND THEN LOOK BACK TO HOW
17 WE'RE STAFFING D.H.R..

18

19 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET REPORT, WE ALSO
20 STATE, IT INCLUDES THESE POSITIONS AND OTHER POSITIONS THAT
21 WILL BE NEW TO D.H.S. THAT IT'S OUR INTENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT
22 TO DELETE A CORRESPONDING NUMBER OF VACANT POSITIONS IN THE
23 DEPARTMENTS. NET ZERO INCREASE TO THE DEPARTMENT.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT ARE THE JOB TITLES AND THE JOB
2 RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE NEW 11 MEDICAL HUBS?

3

4 **ELLEN SANDT:** THAT, I'M NOT FAMILIAR WITH. MEDICAL HUBS?

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MEDICAL HUBS.

7

8 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE HAVE A DEPARTMENT COMING UP FOR THAT.

9

10 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** SUPERVISOR, I DON'T HAVE SPECIFICS ON
11 THOSE 11 POSITIONS, BUT I'D BE HAPPY TO TO GET THOSE TO YOU.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FISCAL OUTLOOK CRIMINALS CHARGES FOR MEDICAL
14 MALPRACTICE CASES. WHAT HAS BEEN DONE BY THE DEPARTMENT TO
15 ENSURE THAT WE HAVE A CORRECTIVE ACTION ESTABLISHED AS A
16 RESULT OF THE MEDICAL MALPRACTICE CASES THAT ARE IMPLEMENT
17 COUNTY-WIDE?

18

19 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** SUPERVISOR, WE HAVE BEEN WORKING TO MAKE
20 SURE THAT WHENEVER WE HAVE A CORRECTIVE ACTION IN ONE
21 FACILITY, THAT WE LOOK AT THE SYSTEM-WIDE IMPACTS FOR THAT,
22 WORKING WITH THE COUNTY COUNSEL AS WE PRESENT THIS TO THE
23 CLAIMS BOARD AND THEN TO YOUR BOARD THAT WE MAKE SURE THAT WE
24 TAKE CARE OF AS MUCH OF THE SYSTEM-WIDE ISSUES AS WE CAN SO
25 THAT WE AVOID THE SAME PROBLEM IN OTHER PLACES.



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SUP. ANTONOVICH: YOUR FORECASTS PRESENT A VERY QUESTIONABLE
FUTURE, FINANCIAL FUTURE. YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE A 256-MILLION-
DOLLAR DEFICIT FOR THIS FISCAL YEAR, WHEN THE PRIMARY
POTENTIAL SOURCES REVENUE PROVIDER FEE IS IN SUSPENSE TAKEN
UPON THE ACTION TAKEN BY THE STATE LEGISLATURE AND YOU HAVEN'T
INCLUDED THE COST FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY IN THE FORECAST
WHICH WOULD BE SIGNIFICANT AND CRITICAL TO MEETING THE
DELIVERABLES UNDER A MANAGED CARE APPROACH. SO SOME COSTS HAVE
BEEN REMOVED FROM THE FORECAST BASED UPON QUESTIONABLE
ASSUMPTIONS. DEPARTMENT HAS INDICATED THAT THE NEW WAIVER WILL
PROVIDE ADDITIONAL REVENUES TO ADDRESS THAT DEFICIT, WHILE THE
DETAILS OF THE WAIVER ARE PRELIMINARY, IT'S CLEAR THAT THE
DEPARTMENT HAS A DIFFICULT TIME COMPLYING WITH THE IDENTIFIED
DELIVERABLES DEVELOPED TO DATE, ESPECIALLY ITS ABILITY TO
PRESERVE SERVICE UNDER A MANAGED CARE MODEL. HOW ARE WE GOING
TO GET A PROGRAM IN PLACE WHERE WE'RE GOING TO BE ON TOP OF
THE SITUATION AND CUT OUR LOSSES?

19

DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF: SUPERVISOR, THE VERY FIRST THING WE ARE
WORKING ON IS THIS HOSPITAL FEE. WE STILL THINK THERE'S A GOOD
CHANCE THAT THAT WILL COME THROUGH WITH SIGNIFICANT REVENUE
FOR THIS YEAR. IF IT DOES, THAT WILL HELP US OUT SIGNIFICANTLY
AND EASE THE PERIOD OF TIME OVER WITH WHICH WE HAVE TO WORK TO
TRANSFORM THE SYSTEM. IT'S VERY CLEAR THAT THE NEXT WAIVER IS



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1 GOING TO REQUIRE US TO DO MORE IN THE DIRECTION OF MEDICAL
2 HOMES, OF CARE MANAGEMENT, DISEASE MANAGEMENT AND ALL OF THAT
3 IS GOING TO REQUIRE US TO CHANGE OUR SYSTEM AS WE GO FORWARD.

4

5 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** AND WITH RESPECT TO THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
6 PIECE, AS PART OF A BOARD MOTION, WE PUT TOGETHER A TASK FORCE
7 TO WORK WITH THIS PARTICULAR ISSUE AND THE INTENT TO REPRESENT
8 US NOT ONLY MY OFFICE, D.H.S., AND WE'RE STARTING TO REACH OUT
9 TO OTHER PARTNERS IN THIS AREA, THE INTENT IS TO PUT OURSELVES
10 IN THE BEST POSITION POSSIBLE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE
11 A.R.R.A. FUNDS THAT WILL BE BECOMING AVAILABLE SOON FOR
12 HOUSING INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DEPARTMENT WILL HAVE CHALLENGES AS A PROVIDER
15 UNDER AN EXPANDED MANAGED CARE APPROACH, SO IT APPEARS THAT
16 YOU'LL BE ALSO HARD-PRESSED IN THE OPERATION OF THE COMMUNITY
17 HEALTH PLAN, WHICH IS FOR THE MOST PART SURVIVING ON AUTO
18 ASSIGNMENTS FROM L.A. CARE LESS THAN 25 PERCENT OF ITS MEMBERS
19 ENROLLING BY CHOICE, ALSO LESS THAN 35 PERCENT OF C.H.P.
20 MEMBERSHIPS ASSIGNED TO COUNTY FACILITIES. WE'RE THREE MONTHS
21 BASICALLY INTO THE FISCAL YEAR AND THE BOARD HASN'T RECEIVED A
22 COMPREHENSIVE REPORT PLAN TO ADDRESS THAT DEFICIT. WHEN WILL
23 WE BE RECEIVING THAT PLAN?

24



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1 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** SUPERVISOR, ONCE WE SEE THE OUTCOME OF THE
2 HOSPITAL FEE, THEN WE'LL BE COMING BACK TO YOUR BOARD WITH THE
3 C.E.O. TO DISCUSS ANY OPTIONS WE NEED TO FOR THE REMAINDER OF
4 THIS FISCAL YEAR.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHILE THE C.E.O. HAS DEVELOPED A PLAN FOR
7 BELT TIGHTENING FROM THE BUDGET AXE FROM THE STATE CUT DEEPER
8 THAN IT HAS ALREADY, SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND I ARE INTRODUCING A
9 MOTION FOR FUTURE BUDGET POLICY GIVEN THE UNCERTAIN FINANCIAL
10 STABILITY OF THE COUNTY, SO WE'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT THE COUNTY
11 BUDGET HAS TRADITIONALLY RELIED ON A VARIETY OF REVENUE
12 SOURCES WHICH HAVE RECENTLY BEEN IMPACTED BY ECONOMIC AND
13 BUDGETARY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE HAS RECOMMENDED THE USE OF
14 ONE-TIME RESERVES TO ADDRESS REVENUE DROPS THAT ARE DIRECTLY
15 RELATED TO THE NATURE WITH THE CURRENT ECONOMIC DOWNTURN.
16 USING ONE TIME FUNDING SOLUTIONS OVER A LONGER PERIOD OF TIME
17 LEADS TO A STRUCTURAL IMBALANCE IN OUR BUDGET. IN KEEPING WITH
18 THE BOARD'S LONG-STANDING POLICY OF FISCAL PRUDENCE IN
19 BUDGETARY DECISION, A PLAN OUGHT TO BE DEVELOPED TO REDUCE
20 RELINES ON ONE TIME FUNDS. WE WOULD THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE
21 BOARD DIRECT THE C.E.O. TO IDENTIFY ALL ONGOING SERVICES AND
22 PROGRAMS THAT ARE CURRENTLY RELYING ON ONE-TIME FUNDING
23 SOURCES, TWO, DEVELOP A PLAN TO MITIGATE THOSE SERVICES AND
24 PROGRAMS TO ONGOING FUNDING SOURCES IF THE NEED FOR THOSE



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1 SERVICES AND PROGRAMS IS TRULY ON-GOING AND, THREE, REPORT
2 BACK TO THE BOARD ON THE PLAN IN SIX MONTHS.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE A POSSIBILITY SOMEONE COULD
5 ENTER THIS ON THE FLOOR OF THE LEGISLATURE? OKAY. MOVED BY
6 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED. THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY
7 MUCH. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** JAY LENO'S CALLING.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, YEAH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
12 ORDERED.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. ALL RIGHT. ANY OTHER
15 MOTIONS? ANY OTHER ITEMS TO DISCUSS UNDER THIS PARTICULAR
16 ITEM? ANYTHING ELSE YOU WEREN'T EXPECTING, BILL? (LAUGHTER).

17

18 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** JUST TO WISH DEBBIE THE BEST BECAUSE SHE
19 DESERVES THE BEST.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, WE'RE GOING TO FINISH UP THIS
22 ITEM.

23

24 **DEBBIE LIZZARI:** APPROVE THE ITEM.

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'RE GOING TO APPROVE THE ITEM. I JUST
2 WANTED TO DOUBLE-CHECK BECAUSE MAYBE SOMEBODY HAS A FEW MORE
3 QUESTIONS. WE JUST WANT TO SORT OF LIKE APPROVE IT SO THAT--
4 WE DON'T WANT TO MAKE DEBBIE UNCOMFORTABLE. WHAT DO WE WANT? [
5 LAUGHTER] .

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE JUST APPROVED ITEM 50, THEN. IS THAT
8 CORRECT? CHAIR WILL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
9 THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. NOW, DEBBIE, THANK YOU,
10 THANK YOU, THANK YOU. WE WISH YOU THE BEST IN RETIREMENT,
11 GREAT HEALTH, HAVE FUN. I KNOW YOU'RE GOING TO MISS TUESDAYS.
12 WE WON'T BE SAME TIME WITHOUT YOU. WE APPRECIATE WHAT YOU'VE
13 DONE FOR THIS COUNTY AND WE WISH YOU GODSPEED. [APPLAUSE]

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NOW WE'D LIKE TO MOVE FOR
16 RECONSIDERATION OF THE BUDGET. NO, JUST KIDDING. [LAUGHTER]
17 ALL RIGHT. WE STILL HAVE SOME ADJOURNMENTS AND WE STILL HAVE
18 SOME ITEMS ON THE AGENDA. IS THAT CORRECT?

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES, WE DO. WE'RE AT YOUR ADJOURNMENTS.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHO SAYS ARNOLD SACHS WOULDN'T WAIT? I
23 HAVE, UNFORTUNATELY SEVERAL ADJOURNMENTS. FIRST OF ALL, THAT
24 WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF DEREK AU, SON OF MY FIRST FIVE
25 COMMISSIONER, NANCY AU, WHO TRAGICALLY PASSED AWAY ON



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1 SEPTEMBER 14TH IN A DROWNING ACCIDENT AS HE WAS ATTEMPTING TO
2 RESCUE HIS DAUGHTER. DEREK WAS JUST 45 YEARS OLD. OUR HEARTS
3 GO OUT TO NANCY AND THE FAMILY DURING THIS VERY DIFFICULT
4 TIME. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS PARENTS, NANCY AND DOUG, WIFE
5 CLAIRE, DAUGHTER MELANIE, SISTER DENISE, TWO NIECES, CAMILLE
6 AND LINEA. OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE TRULY WITH THEM. OKAY.
7 ALL MEMBERS. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF CARLOS
8 BADEL, JR., PASSED AWAY ON SEPTEMBER 12TH AT THE YOUNG AGE OF
9 56, SURVIVED BY HIS DAUGHTERS MONICA AND MARCELLA, SON NATHAN
10 AND FIVE SIBLINGS, 12 NEPHEWS AND NIECES. HE IS THE BROTHER OF
11 A GOOD FRIEND AND MEMBER OF OUR FAMILY IN THE COUNTY, GEORGE
12 BADEL. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF ELIZABETH
13 ARSENIAN, LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF THE OF PALOS VERDES WHO PASSED
14 AWAY RECENTLY WITH FAMILY AT HER BEDSIDE. SHE WAS ONLY 68
15 YEARS OLD. SHE GREW UP IN BALDWIN HILLS, ATTENDED DORSEY, WENT
16 TO PEPPERDINE. SHE LIVES AND WAS VERY ACTIVE IN PALOS VERDES
17 FOR OVER 40 YEARS OF SHE WAS VERY INVOLVED WITH THE NORRIS
18 THEATRE, HOSPICE, YWCA F SAN PEDRO, LAMP ANS LA NEIGHBORHOOD
19 HOUSING. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER LONG-TIME HUSBAND KEN AND HER
20 TWO CHILDREN, HELEN AND KEN, JR.. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE
21 MEMORY OF JOHN KISER, A LONGSHOREMAN, WHO WAS TRAGICALLY
22 KILLED IN AN ACCIDENT WHILE HELPING OFFLOAD A CONTAINER SHIP.
23 HE WAS ONLY 53. HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY INCLUDING
24 VIET NAM AND WAS AWARDED A PURPLE HEART. BECAME AN ENGINEER IN
25 THE OIL DISTRICT IN 1997, JOINED THE INTERNATIONAL LONG SHORE



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1 WAREHOUSE UNION. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE PAMELA, TWO
2 DAUGHTERS, TWO GRANDDAUGHTERS, AMANDA AND ANGELA, SISTER KATIE
3 AND ALL THE LOVED ONES AT LOCAL 13. FINALLY ADJOURN IN THE
4 MEMORY OF RICHARD MICHAEL WEBER, LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF
5 BELLFLOWER, SURVIVED BY HIS SONS JOHN AND ROBERT, GRANDSON
6 ZACHARY, NUMEROUS NIECES, NEPHEWS, AND COMPANION ETHEL. SO
7 ORDERED. I BELIEVE I HELD A COUPLE OF ITEMS. WHERE ARE THEY? I
8 BELIEVE I HELD ITEM 14. WAS THAT 14? ITEM 14, THAT WAS
9 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S. YOU KNOW, I KNOW THAT SUPERVISOR
10 ANTONOVICH IS VOTING "NO," BUT THERE'S REALLY NOT IN PLACE ON
11 THE SENATE SIDE. -- WE'RE JUST APPROVING A CONCEPT? IS THAT
12 CORRECT? ITEM 14? IT'S REALLY NOT A BILL IN PLACE, AS I
13 UNDERSTAND THIS CORRECTLY, SO WE'RE SORT OF--

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15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE HOUSE ALREADY PASSED IT AND THE SENATE
16 IS CURRENTLY CONTEMPLATING IT. SENATOR BOXER IS CURRENTLY
17 CONSIDERING SUCH AND--

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BUT I MEAN WE DON'T KNOW WHAT THEY MAY
20 DO TO IT OR NOT DO. IT MAY COME BACK TO US. CORRECT?

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES. AND FRANKLY, GIVEN ALL THE GOOD WORK
23 THAT WE'VE DONE AS A COUNTY, THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT SENATOR
24 BOXER IS TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THAT PURSUANT TO THESE TWO
25 VISITS THAT I PERSONALLY HAD WITH HER STAFF AND THEY ARE



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1 ECSTATIC ABOUT THE WORK THAT WE'VE DONE TO MOVE FORWARD IN THE
2 AGENDA, SO IT'S A GOOD THING FOR US TO EMBRACE.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO I JUST WANTED TO MAKE THAT CLEAR THAT
5 WE STILL DON'T KNOW THE GUTS OF IT. WE KNOW WHAT THE HOUSE HAS
6 DONE.

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8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MAKE REFERENCE TO WHAT WE'VE DONE. THAT'S
9 A GOOD THING.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS,
12 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, WITH SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
13 VOTING "NO." SO ORDERED. AND THE OTHER ITEM I HELD WAS 21.
14 BASICALLY I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THE MOTION, SUPERVISOR
15 ANTONOVICH, I JUST WANT TO CLARIFY THAT THIS IS A REQUEST TO
16 REPORT BACK 15 DAYS ON ALL ITEMS IN THE MOTION. IS THAT
17 CORRECT?

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND IT'S A REPORT ONLY AND NOTHING IS
22 BEING PREDETERMINED HERE, PARTICULARLY AS IT RELATES TO
23 LITIGATION. IS THAT CORRECT?

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO WE NEED TO LOOK AT THIS AT 30,000
3 FEET, BEST OF YOUR RECOLLECTION -- BIGGER PICTURE, WE SHOULD
4 HAVE THE C.E.O. AND COUNTY COUNSEL LOOK AT THESE AND GIVE US
5 THE PROS AND CONS AND WHERE THEY'RE PROPOSED FOR UPGRADING AND
6 HOW THAT SUPPORTS OUR RENEWABLE ENERGY PRODUCT, SO IF THAT IS
7 CLEAR, THEN I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** REPORT BACK 15 DAYS TO REVIEW.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED
12 BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
13 ORDERED -- WITHOUT OBJECTION-- A SPEAKER? WHERE? I'M SORRY. I
14 DIDN'T IT. OH MY GOSH. SORRY ABOUT THAT. ARNOLD SACHS AND RON
15 HOWELL. HOWELL IS NOT HERE. ARNOLD SACHS?

16

17 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I'LL PASS ON 29. ON 51-E, I WANT TO SPEAK ON.
18 THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. SINCE THIS ITEM DEALS WITH SOUTHERN
19 CALIFORNIA EDISON POWER LINES, I WAS HOPING THAT YOU WOULD
20 TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO FIND OUT, BASED ON WHAT GOVERNOR GRAY
21 DAVIS, HOW HE HELPED TO RECTIFY THE ENERGY CRISIS, SO-CALLED
22 CALIFORNIA WENT THROUGH BY ALLOCATING STATE FUNDS TO BUY
23 UTILITY POWER LINES, HIGH TENSION UTILITY POWER LINES SO THAT
24 THE PUBLIC NOW OWNS THEM. IT WOULD BE REALLY HELPFUL FOR THE
25 PUBLIC EVENTUALLY THEY WILL GET THE BILL TO TAKE THOSE UTILITY



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1 LINES DOWN. JUST WHICH UTILITY LINES DUE TO EX-GOVERNOR GRAY
2 DAVIS'S BRILLIANT HELP IN BAILING OUT THE UTILITIES WHEN WE
3 HAD THE UTILITY CRISIS. I CAN TELL YOU THAT THERE'S A PROBLEM
4 GOING TO OCCUR MAYBE WITHIN 10 OR 15 YEARS, WITHIN YOUR
5 DISTRICT, SUPERVISOR KNABE, IN REDONDO BEACH WITH THE UTILITY
6 PLANTED THERE.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** FORMER UTILITY PLANT?

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10 **ARNOLD SACHS:** FORMER UTILITY PLANT THAT IS STILL IN THE NEWS,
11 BUT IT WOULD BE REALLY NICE TO KNOW, BECAUSE WHEN THAT PLAN--
12 THAT LAND IS REDEVELOPED, AND WHO WOULD THINK THAT SOUTHERN
13 CALIFORNIA EDISON MANAGEMENT WOULD END UP GIVING UP THAT
14 PROPERTY FOR PENNIES, NOT EVEN PENNIES AND NOT HAVE ANY SAY IN
15 WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN, BUT WHEN THAT LAND IS DEVELOPED AT THE
16 OCEAN FRONT, THOSE UTILITY LINES RUNNING FROM THAT PLANT WILL
17 BE OBSOLETE AND SOMEBODY'S GOING TO HAVE TO PAY THE BILL TO
18 TAKE THEM DOWN, AND I'M PRETTY SURE THAT BASED ON WHAT GRAY
19 DAVIS DID IN ASSISTING UTILITY COMPANIES, THAT THAT BILL WILL
20 EVENTUALLY PUT ON THE PUBLIC. IT WOULD BE NICE TO KNOW FOR
21 SURE. THANK YOU. ITEM 51-E.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON 21, WE HAD A MOTION AND A SECOND. SO
24 ORDERED. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CAN YOU APPROVE ITEM 29?

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3 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND 29, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH,
4 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. SO ORDERED. 51-E, MR.
5 SACHS.

6

7 **ARNOLD SACHS:** 51-E DEALS WITH COUNTY FUNDS FOR THE DEPARTMENT
8 OF JUSTICE FOR SECURITY PURPOSES, AND IT'S KIND OF IRONIC THAT
9 IN YESTERDAY'S L.A. TIMES, THERE WAS A LITTLE STORY REGARDING
10 MONEY FOR NOTHING. THIS IS AN EDITORIAL, \$15 MILLION SPENDING
11 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANTS BY CALIFORNIA AGENCIES. PART OF THE
12 PARAGRAPH DEALS-- OR PART OF THE EDITORIAL DEALS WITH LOS
13 ANGELES COUNTY APPARENTLY HAD TROUBLE WITH ITS PAPERWORK.
14 ACCORDING TO STATE INSPECTORS REPORTS, THERE WERE RECORDS OF
15 392 MODIFICATIONS WITH THREE GRANTS TOTALING \$70 MILLION. THE
16 HOMELAND SECURITY AUDITORS SAID THAT THIS SHOWS THE COUNTY DID
17 NOT HAVE SOUND INVESTMENT JUSTIFICATION, AND I'M QUOTING HERE,
18 THERE ARE THEY DID NOT MEET THEIR HOMELAND SECURITY
19 OBJECTIVES. THE POINT BEING, THAT YOU HAD AUDITORS UP HERE,
20 YOU HAD-- I BELIEVE YOU STARTED THIS MEETING-- TODAY'S MEETING
21 OF SUPERVISOR KNABE BY STATING-- EXCUSE ME, I'M GETTING AHEAD
22 OF MYSELF, BUT SUPERVISOR MOLINA, YOU HAD AUDITORS HERE
23 DISCUSSING PROBLEMS WITH D.C.F.S. PROGRAMS, BUT HERE IT'S KIND
24 OF LIKE THAT OLD CARTOON WHERE THERE'S NO FREE LUNCH. YOU GOT
25 SMALL FISH IN YOUR SIGHT AND NOW ANOTHER FISH HAS GOT YOU IN



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1 YOUR SIGHTS. HOW CAN YOU REALLY JUSTIFY YOUR AUDITING WHEN
2 SOMEBODY'S COMING BACK AND SAYING YOUR PROGRAMS ARE FALLIBLE.
3 I MEAN, IT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE TO BE THROWING-- I MEAN, IT DOES
4 BECAUSE YOU DON'T HAVE STANDARDS, BUT TO THROW ROCKS WHEN YOU
5 HOUSE IS CRYSTAL GLASS DOESN'T MAKE FOR SMART MANAGEMENT.
6 THANK YOU.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU MAKE ALL THESE ALLEGATIONS. I JUST
9 WANT YOU TO KNOW, IT'S A VERY IMPORTANT PIECE WHAT WE'RE DOING
10 HERE TODAY. IT DOESN'T JUST INVOLVE THE CITY OF L.A. AND
11 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, IT INVOLVES ALL OF THE COUNTIES. THIS
12 IS A VERY IMPORTANT PIECE THAT TAKES A LOT OF THOUGHT AND
13 PROCESS AND--

14

15 **ARNOLD SACHS:** SIR, I HAVE NO DOUBTS IN MY MIND.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, THAT'S NOT WHAT YOU INSINUATED,
18 BUT I LOVE YOU ANYWAY, ARNOLD. 51-E, CHAIR WILL MOVE IT.
19 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
20 ORDERED. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, I BELIEVE YOU HAVE
21 ADJOURNMENTS.

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23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MR. CHAIRMAN, ALSO BEFORE SUPERVISOR
24 ANTONOVICH STARTS, ON ITEM S-1, THAT ONE SHOULD BE A RECEIVE
25 AND FILE TODAY.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT DOESN'T NEED ACTION?

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IT'S A RECEIVE AND FILE.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'LL RECEIVE AND FILE. SO ORDERED.

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE
11 MEMORY OF MARK WITTENBERG. SOME OF US HAVE WORKED WITH HIM IN
12 THE PAST. HE RESIDED IN EAGLE ROCK. HE SERVED AS A SENIOR-
13 LEVEL PUBLIC AFFAIRS STRATEGIST FOR JOE CERRELL ASSOCIATES. IN
14 2006 HE BECAME A PARTNER AT SORRELL. HE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
15 OF 36. HE PLAYED A MAJOR ROLE IN THE FIRM'S GROWTH AND WAS
16 INVOLVED WITH ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PRACTICE AREA
17 SUSTAINING CITIES, NONPOLLUTING WASTE DISPOSAL AND CLEAN FUEL
18 TECHNOLOGY. HE WAS A GRADUATE OF PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY AND
19 UNIVERSITY OF OREGON. HE LEAVES HIS WIFE AND TWO CHILDREN AND
20 HIS PARENTS.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MARK WITTENBERG PASSED AWAY AT 36. HE
23 WORKED FOR JOE SORRELL.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU'VE ALL MET HIM. HE'S ON THE ENERGY
2 ISSUES. ALSO WALTER GOODEN, WHO WAS BORN IN PANAMA, MOVED TO
3 NEW YORK, 1957, BEGAN TO FIX WATCHES AND LEARNED THEIR
4 INTRICACIES, FOCUSED ON HIGHER WATCHES. VISIT THE MANY
5 FACTORIES IN SWITZERLAND, 1976, HE ESTABLISHED AS ROLEX AS
6 MAIN REPAIR SERVICES, WHICH HE EXPANDED BY HIRING TECHNICIANS.
7 TODAY THAT COMPANY IS LOCATED IN WEST LOS ANGELES AND HOLDS
8 REGULAR SEMINARS FOR WATCH TECHNICIANS. MAIN GOAL WAS TO
9 INCREASE DIRECT CUSTOMER SALES. HE PASSED AWAY ON 15TH
10 SURVIVED HIS WIFE AND SONS. WORKS FOR THE COUNTY AND MARK,
11 DAUGHTER MELISSA AND HIS SISTER AND GRANDSONS AND
12 GRANDDAUGHTERS. GARY DISANO, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 62
13 YEARS. HE WAS THE PRESIDENT OF THIS YEAR'S TOURNAMENT OF ROSES
14 PARADE AND WAS ALL SET FOR THE PARADE. THROUGH HIS MORE THAN
15 35 YEARS OF SERVICE, HE CHAIRED MANY COMMUNITIES, FOOTBALL
16 FLOAT ENTRIES, SPECIAL EVENTS. HE WAS ELECT TO THE
17 TOURNAMENT'S EXECUTIVE OFFICE COMMITTEE IN 2002, WAS A
18 GRADUATE OF LASALLE HIGH SCHOOL IN PASADENA AND THE UNIVERSITY
19 OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND HARVARD SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM.
20 JAMES GRODEN, DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR 31 YEARS, DEPUTY DISTRICT
21 ATTORNEY, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 6. DEBORAH LOUISE SIMON,
22 WHO WAS A GRADUATE OF REGINA CAELI. WENT ON TO BECOME AN
23 L.V.N. PASSED AWAY. SHE WAS FROM THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. ROBERTA
24 WIDMER FROM RETIRED LOS ANGELES LANCASTER CENTER AND ALSO
25 WORKED FOR FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION. RICHARD MACK,



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1 RETIRED LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFF, KEVIN ROBERTS
2 HARRIS, WHO-- THIS WAS A TRAGEDY. KEVIN WAS SHOT AND KILLED ON
3 SEPTEMBER 20TH EXITING HIS CAR IN INGLEWOOD. THIS IS PAT
4 GUINN'S GRANDSON. SHE AND I WENT TO EDISON JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL
5 MANY YEARS AGO-- JOHN MARSHALL HIGH SCHOOL. GRADUATED FROM ST.
6 BERNARD HIGH SCHOOL IN 2006, WAS A BRIGHT MUSICIAN. WAS
7 SURVIVED BY PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS, ROBERT, TRISH, BRUCE
8 GUINN AND STEP SISTER KERRY. IRVING WILLIAM KRYSTOL, PASSED
9 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 89, WAS UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR, WAS LEADING
10 ARCHITECT OF THE CONSERVATISM, SERVED IN WORLD WAR II. HIS SON
11 IS THE PUBLISHER OF "WEEKLY STANDARD" AND ALSO NEWS COMMENTARY
12 MEDIA. IRVING KRISTOL WAS RECIPIENT OF THE PRESIDENTIAL MEDAL
13 OF FREEDOM WHICH WAS THE NATION'S HIGHEST CIVILIAN HONOR, HAD
14 THE OPPORTUNITY OF READING MANY OF HIS WRITINGS AND INFLUENCED
15 BY MANY OF THE PEERS, INCLUDING WHITSET AND FRAZIER AND A LOT
16 OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL ISSUES. HE WAS A TRADITIONAL
17 SUPPORTER OF JUDEO-CHRISTIAN TRADITIONAL VALUES AND SUPPORTED
18 FREEDOM OVER ANARCHY AND LIBERTY OVER CHAOS. SO THOSE ARE MY
19 ADJOURNMENTS, AND I HAVE TWO MOTIONS I WOULD LIKE TO READ.
20 FIRST, THE STATION, MORRIS AND RANCHO PALOS VERDES FIRES
21 CAUSED SIGNIFICANT DAMAGE TO FACILITIES AND ROADS THROUGHOUT
22 OUR COUNTY, PRIMARILY WITHIN THE ANGELES NATIONAL FOREST.
23 AUGUST 28TH, THE GOVERNOR DECLARED A STATE OF EMERGENCY WITH
24 OUR COUNTY AND THE C.E.O. OF THE COUNTY PROCLAIMED AND
25 DECLARED AN EMERGENCY EXISTED. BOARD RATIFIED THAT



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1 DECLARATION. SEPTEMBER 8TH, BOARD ADOPTED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZE
2 PUBLIC WORKS TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE EMERGENCY CONTRACTS ON
3 BEHALF OF THE COUNTY IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED A TOTAL OF \$25
4 MILLION TO PROCURE THE NECESSARY EQUIPMENT, SERVICES, SUPPLIES
5 FOR THE REPAIRS NECESSARY TO RESTORE ACCESS TO RESIDENTS AND
6 BUSINESSES AND TO PREVENT AND REDUCE POTENTIAL FLOODING AND
7 DAMAGE DUE TO MUD FLOW. ESTIMATED DAMAGE BY THE PUBLIC WORKS
8 INFRASTRUCTURE IS APPROXIMATELY 5.5 MILLION DOLLARS. UPGRADES
9 FOR ROADWAY CULVERTS AND DEBRIS BASINS TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC
10 FROM ANTICIPATED STORMS AND DEBRIS FLOWS ARE NEEDED AT AN
11 ESTIMATE 11.2 MILLION DOLLARS. THESE ESTIMATES MAY INCREASE IF
12 ADDITIONAL DAMAGE FROM DEBRIS FLOW IS ASSOCIATED WITH FUTURE
13 RAINSTORMS OCCUR. WHILE DAMAGE ASSESSMENT IS STILL UNDERWAY,
14 TREE REMOVAL CONTRACTS ARE ALREADY AT WORK AND QUOTATIONS FOR
15 GUARDRAIL REPLACEMENTS ARE CURRENT BEING SOLICIT. CONTRACTS
16 FOR CULVERT UPGRADES WILL BE SOUGHT AS SOON AS INSPECTION OF
17 THE 430 LOCATIONS ARE COMPLETED. PUBLIC WORKS IS ALSO
18 CONDUCTING SEDIMENT REMOVAL OF NINE FIRE IMPACTED DEBRIS
19 BASINS YESTERDAY WITH AN ESTIMATED COMPLETION BY OCTOBER 1ST
20 NEXT WEEK. I'D MOVE THAT THE BOARD DETERMINE THERE'S A NEED TO
21 CONTINUE THE EMERGENCY ACTION AND THAT EXECUTIVE OFFICER
22 CONTINUE TO PLACE THIS ITEM ON THE AGENDA FOR THE BOARD TO
23 REVIEW EVERY 14 DAYS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PUBLIC CONTRACT
24 SECTION OF 22050.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO MOVED.

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3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS IS A MOTION BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
4 AND MYSELF. RECENTLY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES
5 INFORMED THE BOARD OF AN EMPLOYEE AT HARBOR-U.C.L.A. MEDICAL
6 CENTER RETURNED TO WORK AFTER HAVING TAKEN A PERSONAL LEAVE TO
7 SERVE JAIL TIME FOR A FELONY CONVICTION. ALTHOUGH THE
8 DEPARTMENT WAS AWARE OF THIS ISSUE IN JUNE, IT WAS NOT UNTIL
9 THEY RECEIVED A SUBSEQUENT MEDIA INQUIRY THAT THEY INFORMED
10 OUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. FURTHER QUESTIONS ARE RAISED
11 REGARDING THE DEPARTMENT'S MANAGEMENT OF SITUATIONS LIKE THIS
12 IN A TIMELY MANNER CONSIDERING IT TOOK FROM JUNE 29TH TO
13 SEPTEMBER 10 TO TAKE ANY DEFINITIVE ACTION. THIS IS ANOTHER
14 CASE WHERE THE LACK OF COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH TO BACKGROUND
15 SCREENING HAS LED TO A PROBLEM EMPLOYEE NOT BEING DETECTED.
16 FURTHERMORE IT APPEARS THAT THIS WAS NOT AN ISOLATED INCIDENT
17 INVOLVING THIS EMPLOYEE, BECAUSE IN 2005, HE HAD VIOLATED THE
18 DEPARTMENT ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY BY DISPLAYING THREATENING
19 BEHAVIOR TOWARD A PHYSICIAN AND OTHER CO-WORKERS, INSUFFICIENT
20 DISCIPLINARY ACTION WAS TAKEN ALLOWING THE INDIVIDUAL TO
21 CONTINUE WORKING IN AN ENVIRONMENT THAT WAS A HOSTILE WORK
22 ENVIRONMENT FOR HIS COLLEAGUES. WE WOULD THEREFORE MOVE THAT
23 THE BOARD DIRECT THE C.E.O. AND THE INTERIM DIRECTOR OF HUMAN
24 RESOURCES TO EXPEDITE THE COMPLETION OF THE LIFE SCAN
25 FEASIBILITY STUDY AND PRESENTATION OF THE PROPOSED ANNUAL



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1 CONVICTION ORDINANCE CHANGE TO THE BOARD, INCLUDING THIS
2 EXPEDITED TIME FRAME IN THE STATUS REPORT THAT IS CURRENTLY
3 SCHEDULED TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD ON OCTOBER 2ND, THAT WE
4 CONDUCT INVESTIGATION OF THE INCIDENT THAT OCCURRED IN JULY
5 2005 TO DETERMINE WHO WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR EVALUATING THIS
6 INCIDENT, RECOMMENDING AND APPROVING THE RELATED DISCIPLINARY
7 ACTION. THE REPORT OF THIS INVESTIGATION SHOULD INCLUDE
8 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CORRECTIVE ACTION FOR ANY IDENTIFIED
9 PERFORMANCE OR PROCESSED DEFICIENCIES. THREE, CONDUCT A REVIEW
10 OF THE ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE DEPARTMENT IN ADDRESSING THE
11 CURRENT SITUATION, INCLUDING RECOMMENDATIONS TO ENSURE
12 IMPROVED COMMUNICATIONS WITH OUTSIDE AGENCIES AND A GREATER
13 SENSE OF URGENCY IN RESOLVING MATTERS SUCH AS THIS. FOUR, WORK
14 WITH THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN
15 RESOURCES TO REVIEW BEST PRACTICES IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS AND
16 THEN PROPOSED PROTOCOLS FOR REPORTING, CONVICTIONS OF COUNTY
17 EMPLOYEES TO DEPARTMENT FOR NOTIFICATION AND, 5, A REPORT BACK
18 ON THE ABORT ACTIVITIES PROVIDED TO THE BOARD IN 30 DAYS. SO
19 MOVED. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT? OKAY. I'LL CALL
22 YOU FOUR AT A TIME. YOU SEEM TO BE HERE ON A SIMILAR ISSUE, SO
23 TWO MINUTES, AS WE'VE DONE WITH OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT. MARCELA
24 CHARLES, TONETTE HENDERSON. FIRST FOUR SPEAKERS.



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1 **SPEAKER:** I'D LIKE TO SAY WITH ALL DUE RESPECT, MR. MARK
2 THOMAS, I WANT TO KNOW WHY HAVEN'T YOU COME OVER AND ASKED ME
3 AND MY FAMILY HOW WE WERE DOING, HOW WE WERE HANGING IN THERE
4 WITH THE DEATH OF OUR LOVED ONE. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE-- I WOULD
5 LIKE TO SEE JUSTICE SERVED. MY STEPSON, TREVEON, DID NOT
6 DESERVE TO DIE THE WAY HE DID, MURDERED IN COLD BLOOD. HE WAS
7 NOT CARRYING A WEAPON, AS THEY SAY. THE QUESTION TO WHY HE WAS
8 BEING CHASED WAS NEVER ANSWERED BY DEPUTIES. THIS MAKES ME
9 SUSPICIOUS THAT THEY'RE COVERING UP SOMETHING. IT IS NOT FAIR
10 THAT WE ARE BEING JUDGED BY THE COLOR OF OUR SKIN INSTEAD OF
11 THE CONTENT OF OUR CHARACTER OR BY WHAT WE ARE WEARING. THEY
12 NEED TO REMEMBER THAT WE ARE ALL HUMAN FIRST BEFORE WE ARE
13 BLACK, WHITE, HISPANIC, AND ET CETERA. MOST KIDS WEAR ONLY
14 WHAT THEIR PARENTS CAN AFFORD, SUCH AS A TEE SHIRT OR
15 BASKETBALL SHORTS. THEY MAY NOT COME FROM WEALTHY HOMES. FOR
16 THIS REASON, THEY HAVE TO DIE? I DON'T THINK THAT IS FAIR.
17 THEY CAN'T AFFORD THE BEST CLOTHES. THIS HAS TO STOP. THOSE
18 DEPUTIES THAT COMMITTED THE CRIME NEEDS TO DO THE TIME.
19 JUSTICE WILL BE SERVED BECAUSE GOD KNOWS ALL AND SEES ALL.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. TANNISHA ERVIN, IF YOU'D JOIN
22 US PLEASE. WHOEVER WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK, GO AHEAD.

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24 **MARCELA CHARLES:** MY NAME IS MARCELA CHARLES, AND I'M THE
25 MOTHER OF TREVEON RICHARDS, THE 17-YEAR-OLD THAT WAS KILLED



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1 OVER THE WEEKEND, AND IT'S JUST INEXPLAINABLE TO ME HOW THE
2 FIRST THING THE DEPUTIES TELL ME IS THAT HE PULLED A GUN OUT
3 ON THEM, AND ALL THE WAY OVER THERE SAY THAT THEY SHOT MY SON
4 AND WHEN HE FELL TO THE GROUND, THEY SHOT HIM AGAIN AND AGAIN
5 AND AGAIN. FOUR TIMES AND JUST LEFT HIM THERE BLEEDING AND
6 THEN DIDN'T CALL THE AMBULANCE TILL 15 OR 20 MINUTES LATER. I
7 DID NOT HAVE A CHILD, RAISE A CHILD TO BE MURDERED ON THE
8 ASSUMPTION THAT HE'S A GANG MEMBER OR CARRYING A WEAPON. I
9 DON'T THINK IT'S FAIR. SHERIFF LEE BACA NEEDS TO DO MORE
10 TRAINING WITH HIS OFFICERS OR SOMETHING, BECAUSE IT'S NOT FAIR
11 THAT THREE MURDERS OVER THE WEEKENDS BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT
12 AND THEY CONTINUE TO HARASS YOU AFTER YOU'VE LOST YOUR LOVED
13 ONE, THEY COME TO THE MEMORIAL SITE, THEY LAUGH AT YOU IN YOUR
14 FACE, MAKE LITTLE COMMENTS, AND I DON'T THINK IT'S FAIR. THANK
15 YOU.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CRAIG WOODS, PLEASE. GO AHEAD.

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19 **EDDIE JONES:** DIDN'T YOU CALL WOODROW BLAIR, JR.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH.

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23 **EDDIE JONES:** HE THAT HAD TO LEAVE, BUT I WOULD LIKE TO USE HIS
24 MINUTES.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO. YOU CAN USE YOUR MINUTES, NOT HIS.

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3 **EDDIE JONES:** OKAY. WELL, CAN I GO ON?

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH. I HAVEN'T CALLED YOU YET, BUT GO
6 AHEAD.

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8 **EDDIE JONES:** I'M EDDIE JONES, PRESIDENT OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS
9 ASSOCIATION. WE HAVE A VERY SERIOUS PROBLEM. GLORIA, MIKE,
10 ZEV, DON, MARK, IT'S GETTING OUT OF HAND. THE SHERIFFS HAVE
11 KILLED WOODROW PLAYER, JR., AVERY CODY, JR., JARED COLLINS WAS
12 SHOT IN HIS BACKYARD WHILE THE FENCE WAS CLOSED. THE OFFICERS
13 SHOT THROUGH THE FENCE, SHOOTING HIM IN THE BACK. HE'S DEAD.
14 ALL HE DID WAS COME OUT TO WALK SOMEONE TO HIS CAR. TITO IN
15 CARSON WAS SHOT DOWN. AN OFFICER SHERIFF WENT UP BEHIND HIM
16 AND SHOT HIM SEVERAL TIMES IN THE BACK. ALL THESE SHOOTINGS
17 ARE IN THE BACK. THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG HERE. SO WHAT DID I
18 DO? I CALLED THE F.B.I. AND I'LL BE AT THEIR OFFICE TOMORROW,
19 THEN I'M GOING TO WASHINGTON, D.C.. I'M NOT PLAYING. WE'RE
20 GOING TO GET SOME ANSWERS, AND WE ARE VERY CLOSE TO CIVIL
21 UNREST. MARK, GLORIA, DON, ZEV, MIKE, WE'RE CLOSE TO CIVIL
22 UNREST. I'M TELLING YOU NOW. I'M GIVING YOU A FAIR WARNING.
23 THE PEOPLE ARE VERY, VERY UPSET. THEY'RE NOT GOING TO TOLERATE
24 IT ANYMORE. LEE BACA'S NOT SAYING THE RIGHT THINGS RIGHT NOW
25 AND THE COMMUNITY IS IN AN UPROAR. WE HAD THE WATTS RIOT, WE



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1 HAD THE RODNEY KING RIOTS WHEN THEY STOMPED AND BEAT HIM AND
2 THEY THOUGHT NOBODY SAW, AND NOW IF WE DON'T DO SOMETHING
3 ABOUT THIS VERY, VERY SERIOUS PROBLEM, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE THE
4 2009 RIOTS. SO I'M ASKING YOU, BOARD, YOU DON'T HAVE TO
5 RESPOND TO ME NOW, NOBODY'S RETURNED MY CALL YET, BUT SOMEBODY
6 BETTER CALL EDDIE JONES, PRESIDENT OF THE L.A. CIVIL RIGHTS
7 ASSOCIATION. I MIGHT NOT SEEM LIKE I'M ALL THAT AND A BAG OF
8 GOLD CHIPS, BUT I'M THE ANSWER BETWEEN YOU AND THE COMMUNITY.
9 YOU'RE NEVER READY FOR AN EARTHQUAKE. NO ONE IS EVER READY FOR
10 AN EARTHQUAKE. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. DELOREZ RAMOS, IF YOU'D JOIN
13 US, PLEASE. OKAY. NEXT, GO AHEAD.

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15 **TANNISHA ERVIN:** I JUST WANT TO KNOW, WE ALL WANT TO KNOW--

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR NAME, PLEASE.

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19 **TANNISHA ERVIN:** MY NAME IS TANNISHA ERVIN. WHY WASN'T
20 TREVEON'S LIFE SPARED? WHY COULDN'T THEY TACTICS WHEN THEY'RE
21 IN THE RICH NEIGHBORHOODS? WHY COULDN'T THEY HIT HIM WITH THE
22 RUBBER BULLETS, WHY COULDN'T THEY TASE HIM, WHY COULDN'T THEY
23 SHOOT HIM IN THE LEG? WHY DID THEY HAVE TO KILL HIM LIKE THAT?
24 CAN ANYBODY ANSWER THAT? NO? WELL, WHAT ARE WE HERE FOR THEN?

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'RE NOT PRIVY TO THE INVESTIGATION.

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3 **SPEAKER:** (OFF-MIC.)

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO. YES, SIR?

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7 **SPEAKER:** I'M AVERY CODY, SENIOR. MY SON GOT KILLED JULY THE
8 5TH. I GUESS THIS IS WHERE IT ALL STARTED. BUT I HAVE
9 EVERYTHING ON VIDEO. THEY ALL SAY THAT MY SON WAS-- THEY SAY
10 HE ADD A GUN, BUT EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT THAT'S A CELL PHONE ON
11 VIDEO. NOW I'M A VOICE FOR THE COMMUNITY THAT I COME FROM,
12 WHICH IS COMPTON, WHICH I ALREADY WENT TO OUR CITY COUNCIL
13 MEETINGS, WHATEVER, WHATEVER. THEY TOLD US THAT THEY WAS
14 DEALING WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT THROUGH A CONTRACT, SO I
15 HAVE TO COME TO THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, WHATEVER, WHATEVER.
16 NOW I'M HERE. NOW I'M THE VOICE FOR MY WHOLE COMMUNITY, WHICH
17 I DIDN'T WANT TO HAVE TO COME IN FRONT OF Y'ALL, TALK TO Y'ALL
18 ABOUT THE PASSING OF MY SON BECAUSE NOBODY PROBABLY WOULD EVER
19 FEEL MY PAIN, BUT TO MAKE A LONG STORY SHORT, IT'S BEEN TWO
20 TEENAGERS KILLED IN COMPTON IN A MATTER OF THREE MONTHS, AND
21 THE COMMUNITY IS NOT GOING TO KEEP ACCEPTING IT. EDDIE JONES,
22 A COUPLE OF PEOPLE, COME TALK TO A COUPLE OF PEOPLE THAT'S
23 OLDER. NOW I'M THE NEW FACE OF THE YOUTH. YOU'RE GOING TO SEE
24 A WHOLE LOT OF ME. I HOPE THAT Y'ALL UNDERSTAND THAT Y'ALL
25 COULD PREPARE FOR A MICHAEL JACKSON FUNERAL, BUT Y'ALL CAN'T



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1 PREPARE FOR WHAT SOCIETY IS GETTING READY TO BRING TO CITY IF
2 YOUR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT KEEPS KILLING THESE KIDS. IT'S LIKE
3 HOW THE SHERIFFS WANT TO GO HOME TO THEIR KIDS, IT'S THE SAME
4 WAY HOW WE WANT OUR KIDS TO COME HOME TO US, IT'S THE SAME WAY
5 EVERYBODY HAVE A JOB TO DO, YOU'VE GOT TO RESPECT A HUMAN'S
6 LIFE, ESPECIALLY A CHILD'S LIFE, BECAUSE THEY HAVE A FUTURE.
7 YOU NEVER DICTATE WHERE THEY'RE GOING TO GO IN LIFE. I KNOW
8 THE LAW BECAUSE MY FATHER WAS A POLICE OFFICER, AND THE THINGS
9 THAT THESE PEOPLE ARE DOING IS OUT OF CHARACTER. THANK YOU.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I'LL CALL UP MARY CHARLES,
12 GWEN MCILROY, SHAZIRE RICHARD. YES, MA'AM.

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14 **DELOREZ RAMOS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS.

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU ARE?

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18 **DELOREZ RAMOS:** I'M SORRY. I'M DELOREZ RAMOS. I KNOW I WASN'T
19 CALLED TO OPPOSE ITEM NUMBER 50, BUT AT ANY RATE, I HAVE TWO
20 COMPLAINTS TODAY. THE FIRST ONE IS THE INFAMOUS D.C.F.S. AND A
21 NEW COMPLAINT OF THE V.A., WHO, JUST LIKE D.C.F.S., ABUSES ITS
22 AUTHORITY. CASE IN POINT, AFTER RECEIVING PREAPPROVAL OF A
23 VOUCHER, EVERY LAME EXCUSE IN THE BOOK HAS BEEN GIVEN TO ME
24 WITHHOLDING THAT VOUCHER, NEVER MIND I'M CONSIDERED A NUMBER
25 ONE PRIORITY INVESTOR WITH CHILDREN. I'M TOLD AND PREAPPROVED



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1 UNTIL CASE MANAGER IS ASSIGNED THAT CAN SEEK OUT HOUSING IN
2 THE MEANTIME. SHALL I SEEK HOUSING IN BEVERLY HILLS OR BEL
3 AIR? THAT WOULD MAKE MORE SENSE THAN WHAT THE BATCH PROGRAM
4 EXPECTS OF ME TO WAIT UNTIL INFINITY. IF THE PROGRAM DOESN'T
5 HAVE ANOTHER CASE MANAGERS, THAT'S NOT MY PROBLEM. HOWEVER ON
6 9-21 OF '09 I FOUND OUT WHY I'VE BEEN WAITING. A V.A. WROTE IN
7 MY MEDICAL FILES, I WOULDN'T GIVE HER A BATCH VOUCHER FOR MY
8 PUPPY. ANOTHER CASE OF NO ACCOUNTABILITY. TO DOCUMENT SUCH
9 VENOM ON A GOVERNMENT DATABASE AND PERSONAL COMMENTS WHICH ARE
10 INCLUDED ALONG WITH DOCTORS AND A MEDICAL PERSONNEL NOTE
11 THAT'S RIDICULOUS. MY SECOND COMPLAINT HAS TO DO WITH
12 D.C.F.S., THE LATEST WAR ON MY FAMILY INCLUDES KIDNAPPING BY
13 SOCIAL WORK JOCELYN PERRY. ON 9-4-09, JOCELYN, WITHOUT
14 AUTHORIZATION FROM CAREGIVER HENRY STEWART, SCHOOL PERSONNEL
15 AND AGAINST THE WILL OF MY DAUGHTER AT COWEN ELEMENTARY,
16 FORCED HER INTO HER CAR AFTER SCHOOL WHERE MY DAUGHTER WAS
17 ILLEGALLY, AS USUAL WITH D.C.F.S. INTERVIEWED WITHOUT THE
18 MOTHER OR, IN THIS CASE, THE CAREGIVER PRESENT. CAREGIVER
19 WAITED FOR MY DAUGHTER AT A NEIGHBORING SCHOOL DROP-OFF POINT.
20 AFTER A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF TIME, HE BEGAN TO WORRY, SO RATHER
21 THAN CALL THE SCHOOL POLICE, HE JUST WENT HOME, WHERE JOCELYN
22 JUST STROLLS UP WITH MY DAUGHTER AS IF NOTHING HAD HAPPENED.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WRAP IT UP. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED.

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1 **DELOREZ RAMOS:** I WOULD LIKE JOCELYN PERRY-- I WOULD BE
2 ARRESTED FOR KIDNAPPING IF I HAD DONE THE SAME THING. HER
3 BEING A SOCIAL WORKER, SHE SHOULD NOT BE EXONERATED FOR WHAT
4 SHE DID. THANK YOU.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SOMEBODY FROM THE DEPARTMENT WANT TO
7 MEET WITH THIS LADY RIGHT OVER HERE. OKAY. GO AHEAD. DANA
8 PATTERSON TO JOIN US.

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10 **MARY CHARLES:** MY NAME IS MARY CHARLES. I'M THE GRANDMOTHER OF
11 TREVEON RICHARD. I JUST WANT TO SAY, EVERY YOUNG KID OUT THERE
12 THAT HAS A WHITE TEE SHIRT ON IS NOT A GANG BANGER, AND IT'S
13 JUST TOO MANY KILLINGS, AND THEY ALWAYS SAY POLICE FEAR FOR
14 THEIR LIFE. HOW DO THEY FEAR FOR THEIR LIFE WHEN SOMEONE IS
15 RUNNING AWAY FROM THEM? THAT'S WHAT I DON'T UNDERSTAND. THEY
16 FEAR FOR THEIR LIFE AND HE WAS RUNNING AWAY FROM THEM, I NEVER
17 HEARD OF THAT BEFORE. AND I WANT TO THANK YOU, MR. THOMAS, FOR
18 YOUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY THAT YOU DID NOT GIVE TO OUR FAMILY.
19 WE'VE BEEN SITTING HERE ALL DAY.

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21 **SPEAKER:** . HI. MY NAME IS GWEN MCILROY. I'M THE COUSIN OF
22 AVERY CODY, JR. AND THE AUNT OF TREVEON RICHARD. I JUST BURIED
23 AVERY. NOW WE'RE AT HOME MAKING FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR
24 TREVEON BECAUSE OF POLICE. THEY'RE NOT TRAINED. THEY'RE
25 TRAINED TO SET YOU UP, BEAT YOU UP, AND KILL YOU. I'VE BEEN IN



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1 LYNWOOD ALL MY LIFE. I'M 42 YEARS OLD. ALL MY LIFE. WE HAD OUR
2 OWN POLICE DEPARTMENT. WE HAD OUR OWN POLICE DEPARTMENT. WE
3 DIDN'T GO THROUGH THIS. HALF OF THE POLICE IN OUR CITY,
4 THEY'RE YOUNGER THAN I AM, SO I KNOW THEY DON'T HAVE TRAINING.
5 IT'S WRONG, AND SOMETHING HAS TO BE DONE. GO ON YOUR COMPUTER,
6 HIT THE SWEENEY FIRM, AND YOU'LL SEE HOW THEY GUNNED MY LITTLE
7 COUSIN, LITTLE AVERY DOWN. YOU'RE GOING TO SEE IT ON VIDEO.
8 YOU'RE GOING TO SEE HIM LAND ON A COLD SLAB WITH A BULLET HOLE
9 IN HIS BACK FROM LEE BACA'S SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, AND HE
10 ALWAYS HAS AN EXCUSE FOR THEM. WE'RE NOT GOING TO LET THE GANG
11 BANGERS DO THIS. I USED TO BE A GANG MEMBER. I USED TO BE A
12 GANG MEMBER. I CHANGED MY LIFE. GIVE THOSE KIDS A CHANCE NOW.
13 THEY NEED A CHANCE. NOT IF THESE POLICE KEEP KILLING THEM. NOT
14 IF THEY KEEP KILLING THEM.

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. YES, SIR.

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18 **SHAZIRE RICHARD:** MY NAME IS RICHARD AND I'M THE COUSIN OF
19 TREVEON RICHARD. WE HAVE A SERIOUS PROBLEM IN THE STREETS WHEN
20 URBAN YOUTH ARE MORE SCARED OF LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S
21 DEPARTMENT THAN THEY IS OF ANY GANG. THEY'RE RUNNING AROUND
22 KILLING PEOPLE LEFT AND RIGHT. I WAS ALWAYS TOLD THAT IS A
23 COWARD MOVE TO SHOOT A MAN IN THE BACK. I LOST MY 17-YEAR-OLD
24 COUSIN WAY TOO EARLY, SHOT DOWN BY A SHERIFF WHEN THEY'RE
25 MAKING UP ALL THESE STORIES ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED. HAD LEE BACA



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1 ON T.V. CALLING HIM A GANG MEMBER, SLANDERING HIM. ONLY THING
2 THAT MAY HAPPEN TO THE SHERIFF THAT DID IT IS HE MAY GET A
3 PAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE WHEN ME AND MY FAMILY ARE LEFT WITH A
4 LIFETIME TO MOURN AND PAIN. I SIT UP HERE AND READ THAT THE
5 GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE, BY THE PEOPLE AND FOR THE PEOPLE
6 SHALL NOT PERISH. YOU'LL MIGHT AS WELL TAKE THAT DOWN BECAUSE
7 IT DOESN'T APPLY ANYMORE, AT LEAST NOT WHERE I COME FROM. THE
8 PEOPLE HAVE IT BAD WHERE I'M AT. IT'S BAD ENOUGH THAT WE DOPE
9 HAVE JOBS AND THE ECONOMY IS ROUGH. NOW WE'VE GOT TO WORRY
10 ABOUT GETTING SHOT BY THE SAME PEOPLE THAT ARE SUPPOSED TO
11 PROTECT AND SERVE US. ALL THEY'RE DOING US IS KILLING US AND
12 HARASSING US. AND IF THIS PROBLEM KEEPS UP, IT'S GOING TO GET
13 A WHOLE LOT WORSE BEFORE IT GETS BETTER. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
14 TIME.

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** TATANIA RICHARD. TATIANA RICHARD, JOHN
17 HENYARD.

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19 **TATIANA RICHARD:** I'M TATIANA RICHARD, TREVEON'S SISTER. HE WAS
20 MURDERED ON MY BIRTHDAY, AND I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW, WHY DO
21 PEOPLE GET KILLED BY THE SHERIFF AND WE HAVE TO SUFFER, BUT
22 THE SHERIFFS GO HOME, LIVE THEIR LIVES, NOT AS MISERABLE AS
23 OURS? I THINK THAT THEY COULD HAVE USED RUBBER BULLETS OR
24 TASED HIM, INSTEAD THEY TOOK WHAT THEY WERE GOING THROUGH OUT
25 ON HIM. NOW I CAN'T SEE MY BROTHER NO MORE. TRE WAS A LOVING



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1 PERSON THAT YOU WOULD ALWAYS LOVE TO BE AROUND. HE MADE YOU
2 LAUGH AND I MISS HIM. I WISH HE WAS HERE TO THIS DAY. I DON'T
3 BELIEVE THAT ANYONE HAS THE RIGHT TO TAKE THE NEXT PERSON'S
4 LIFE. I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY MY BROTHER WAS BEING CHASED IN
5 THE FIRST PLACE. WHAT CAUSED THE POLICE TO CHASE TREVEON? I
6 WILL HAVE MEMORIES ON SEPTEMBER 19TH, MY BIRTHDAY. THAT'S WHEN
7 MY BROTHER WAS SHOT.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. KEIANA THEN ARNOLD SACHS TO
10 JOIN US. OKAY.

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12 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS KEIANA RICHARD AND I'M TREVEON'S SISTER.
13 MY BROTHER DIDN'T EVEN MAKE 18 BECAUSE TWO OFFICERS GOT
14 TRIGGER-HAPPY. I FEEL THAT THE TWO OFFICERS THAT TOOK MY
15 BROTHER'S LIFE SHOULD HAVE SOME KIND OF CONSEQUENCES. IF YOU
16 LET THEM GET AWAY WITH KILLING MY BROTHER, THEN THAT MEANS
17 THEY CAN GET AWAY WITH ANYTHING, JUST BECAUSE THEY HAVE A
18 POLICE BADGE. WHAT IF I WAS AN OFFICER AND I SHOT SOMEBODY IN
19 YOUR FAMILY? HOW WOULD YOU FEEL? I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK TO
20 SOMEONE IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT BECAUSE THE TWO OFFICERS
21 THAT SHOT AND KILLED MY BROTHER DID NOT EVEN APOLOGIZE.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. OKAY. THIS CONCLUDES PUBLIC
24 COMMENTS. IF YOU WILL READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION, PLEASE.

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1 **SACHI HAMAI, CLERK:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
2 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
3 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. C.S.-2,
4 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS FUJIOKA, CHIEF EXECUTIVE
5 OFFICER AND DESIGNATED STAFF, AND ITEM NUMBER C.S.-3,
6 CONFERENCE WITH THE REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS SANTOS H.
7 KREIMANN AND RICHARD VOLPERT WITH RESPECT TO A PROPOSED LEASE
8 AMENDMENT FOR PROPERTY WITHIN THE MARINA DEL REY SMALL CRAFT
9 HARBOR AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I THOUGHT THAT ITEM WAS CONTINUED. IT'S
12 GOING TO BE CONTINUED.

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14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** I APOLOGIZE. NO. ON ITEM C.S.-3, THE MARINA
15 ITEM, THAT ITEM WILL BE CONTINUED ONE WEEKLY TO SEPTEMBER
16 29TH, 2009. THANK YOU.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU TELL VOLPERT EARLY?

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1 **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION SEPTEMBER 22, 2009**

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4 In Open Session, items CS-1 and CS-3 were continued one week
5 to September 29, 2009.

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7 No reportable action was taken on item CS-2.

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